



Chickasaw vets in Washington

Front row from left, Kenneth Waldon and Bobby Adkins. Middle row from left, James Moore, Arthur Moss, Joe Cunningtubby, David McClure, Robert Woodward, James Nichols and Jimmy Eddlemon. Back row from left, Jerald Nichols, Frank Thomas, David Maytubby, James McCurtain, James Woodward and Martin Gorman.

Veterans lay wreath at Arlington Cemetery's Tomb of the Unknowns

Three Chickasaw veterans recently placed a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery to honor all Chickasaw veterans.

Jerald Nichols, Jimmy D. Eddlemon and James D. Moore took part in the ceremony during a trip to Washington, D.C. The annual trip is offered by the tribe to veterans in appreciation for their service.

"Those who have served in the armed forces have a unique understanding of the significance of the memorial," Gov. Bill Anoatubby said. "They know better than most the great sacrifices nec-

essary to protect our country and preserve our freedom."

Mr. Nichols is an Air National Guard veteran from Norman, Okla. He was honored, he said, to pay tribute to all those who have paid the price for American freedom.

Mr. Eddlemon, U.S. Air Force veteran from Seminole, Okla., said it was "wonderful" to honor those who shared the love of country that led him to a career in the Air Force.

Mr. Moore, a U.S. Army veteran from Lindsay, Okla., said it was a thrill to take part in the ceremony on behalf of all those who have served their

country.

"I didn't do this just for me," he said. "I did it for everyone, the living as well as the dead."

Fifteen Chickasaw veterans from Oklahoma, Texas, California and Oregon took part in the trip. The veterans were in Washington Nov. 8 through Nov. 12.

The Chickasaw Nation has been offering about 15 Chickasaw elder veterans the opportunity to visit Washington DC on Veterans Day for several years.

Karen Cook, administrator of the Chickasaw Nation Division

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Season's Greetings



Gov. BILL ANOATUBBY

Season's greetings and warm holiday wishes from all of us at the Chickasaw Nation!

We are so very grateful for all the blessings God has bestowed on us. We are especially thankful for our families, our friends and our tribe.

As Chickasaws, we share a very special bond that has been reflected throughout the generations. Chickasaws have so often faced adversity and challenge but, with God's grace, our people have sur-

vived and flourished. It is truly a blessing that our ancestors made the important sacrifices so we might prosper.

This Christmas season, we extend special holiday wishes to all our military men and women serving here at home and overseas. We pray for your safety and the happy day of your reunion with family.

We send our warmest regards to our Chickasaw veterans who have served our country so honorably; to our Chickasaw elders who are the rock of our tribe; to our Chickasaw families for whom we wish much peace, love and togetherness.

We pray a special blessing for our Chickasaw children whom we deeply cherish. It is for them we pray for wonderful, long and full lives.

This season's message of love, peace and charity is so important for those among us who have experienced challenge and sorrow in their lives. We pray for those who seek meaning and compassion.

Our prayer is that we answer the call when the opportunity comes to help our fellow man.

The season of peace and fullness of spirit has arrived! God bless you, your family and our beloved tribe.

Bill Anoatubby

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CHICKASAW VETERANS

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Chickasaw veterans, from left, James Moore, Jerald Nichols and Jimmy Eddlemon place a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery on Nov. 9. The ceremony was part of a trip Chickasaw veterans took to Washington, D.C. to celebrate Veterans Day.

on Aging, said the trips were originally conceived as a way to offer World War II veterans the opportunity to visit the World War II Memorial.

"With the support of Governor Anoatubby, we wanted to show our appreciation to our elder Chickasaw veterans and we thought a trip to Washington would be a good way to do that," Ms. Cook said. "We started with our World War II veterans and thought it would be great to bring them to see the World War II Monument.

"It was such a successful trip we decided to continue with the trips for our World War II veterans and our Korean War

veterans."

James McCurtain, a U.S. Army veteran from Arcata, California, said the trip sponsored by the Chickasaw Nation offered an opportunity he would not otherwise have.

"It is hard to describe when you're around a bunch of other veterans or a bunch of people who are patriotic," said Mr. McCurtain. "It kind of puts a lump in your throat when you go to the memorials because you know what the boys have done for us so we can live in this free country."

CONTRIBUTED BY Tony Choate, Media Relations.

Elders give thanks during Thanksgiving Bazaar and Luncheon

ADA, Okla. – Chickasaw elders from across the state gathered at the Pontotoc County Agri-Plex Nov. 16 for the annual Elders Thanksgiving Luncheon and Bazaar.

Elders representing the 13 Chickasaw Nation Senior Centers enjoyed snacks, refresh-

ments and each other's company while browsing fundraising booths featuring crafts, jewelry and clothing.

Gov. Bill Anoatubby welcomed all guests and encouraged each person to "recognize the things you can be thankful for" before a traditional

Thanksgiving meal was served.

Many elders were thankful for the opportunity to enjoy fellowship with one another.

"I'm thankful for so much this year," said Ruthelen Ivester, of Purcell, Okla. "My health, my family, and my grandson coming home from

Kuwait unharmed."

Stormy and Judy Bryant, of Oklahoma City, have been coming to the luncheon for four years.

"I'm always thankful for my family," said Mrs. Bryant. "It's been a great year for us."

Each year, the Chickasaw Na-

tion Division on Aging hosts the Elders Thanksgiving Bazaar and Luncheon as a way to give thanks to the people they serve and work with on a daily basis.

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Stormy and Judy Bryant, of Oklahoma City, have attended the Elders Thanksgiving Bazaar and Luncheon for the last four years.



Ruthelen Ivester, left, and her sister-in-law, Doris Moore browse one of the many fundraising booths at the 2012 Elders Thanksgiving Bazaar and Luncheon.



Governor Bill Anoatubby greets Chickasaw elders at the 2012 Elders Thanksgiving Bazaar and Luncheon.

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Chickasaw Nation Industries key investor in breakthrough technology

Company develops devices for spinal cord, stroke patients



Photo credit Ekso Bionics.



Ekso Test Pilot and Ambassador 3

Photo credit Ekso Bionics.

Many of us may remember the term “exoskeleton” from biology lessons on grasshoppers, crabs, ants and lobsters. These days, lessons on exoskeletons may include Ekso Bionics, a company garnering attention for its mechanical device said to have enormous potential to increase human capabilities.

Chickasaw Nation Industries (CNI) is an investor in Ekso Bionics, a company that produces a wearable robot, or suit, that has enabled hundreds of people with spinal cord injuries to walk.

“We are privileged to be engaged with this company,” Gov. Bill Anoatubby said. “The robotic device has the potential to greatly improve the lives of spinal cord injury and stroke patients.”

A ‘Big Idea’

The November issue of *Inc. Magazine* featured Ekso in a cover story as one of “5 Big Ideas for the Next 15 Years.” Ekso was also recently named a Top Ten invention by CNN and *Wired*, and one of the Best Inventions by *TIME*.

The World Technology Network recently recongnized Ekso Bionics with its Corporate Health and Medicine Award. Presented by the World Technology Network in association with *TIME*, *Fortune*, CNN, Science/AAAS, Technology Review and others, the World Technology Awards have been called

“the Oscars of the technology world” in part because of their peer-review selection process.

Ekso Bionics has placed wearable robots in 20 rehabilitation centers from Hawaii to Italy. One of those is in the INTEGRIS Jim Thorpe Rehabilitation Hospital in Oklahoma City, thanks to support from the Chickasaw Nation.

At a July 25 press conference in Oklahoma City, the suit was unveiled. Mary Beth Davis, of Guthrie, Okla., became one of the first patients at the Jim Thorpe Rehabilitation center to try it.

The 22-year-old Ms. Davis was injured in an automobile accident on her way home from Oklahoma State University classes in Stillwater, Okla., in 2010. She was left paralyzed from the chest down. Like thousands of people with spinal cord injuries, the wheelchair was the only mobility option she could ever hope to have – until now.

Only weeks after being introduced to the Ekso unit, Ms. Davis walked across the stage at the Courage Awards ceremony.

‘Inspiring’

At the time, Gov. Anoatubby said it was “inspiring to see the positive impact” the suit has on patients like Ms. Davis.

“The theme of this year’s World Technology Network summit, ‘Nothing Will Ever Be The Same Again,’ undoubtedly

rings true for Mary Beth and the hundreds of others who already benefit from this new technology,” Gov. Anoatubby said recently.

Ekso Bionics chief executive officer Eythor Bender, wrote in his blog about the recent attention.

“We know that we’re working on a big idea that is going to change the world in a meaningful way, but it’s always gratifying when others agree and shout it from their own rooftops. Without the radical collaboration of partners, clinicians, investors and future users, our Big Idea would just be another dream stuck in an R&D lab. But with everyone’s help, we are taking huge strides that will allow millions to hear a Yes instead of a No when they ask the question ‘Will I walk again?’”

CNI CEO David Nimmo said the company not only had tremendous potential to provide a product that will change lives, but also the potential to provide a financial return for the Chickasaw Nation.

Learning to walk again

“We believe Ekso is the leader in the field,” Mr. Nimmo said. “The feedback we get from physical therapists is that we are the leader. Ekso is the first to develop a wearable robot, or suit, that is not tethered to a power source. Therapists also tell us it produces a more natural gait than other suits.”

Currently, the suits, which cost about \$140,000 each, are used in rehabilitation centers where physical therapists with specialized training help patients learn to use the device. Over time, the patient becomes increasingly independent.

Joey Abicca, a 17-year-old user of the Ekso suit, appeared in a Sept. 12, 2012 *New York Times* video about exoskeletons.

“It’s awesome,” Joey said. “I loved getting back up. Even just standing straight is awesome.” Joey was injured by an earth-moving machine three years ago. “It was a lot more comfortable than I thought it would be, and it’s really smooth. I thought it would be jerky, but it’s really smooth and really natural.”

Matt Tilford, an Ekso user and company spokesman, said in the same video that the first time he stood up in the suit he was speechless.

“The first time I stood in the suit, I couldn’t say anything,” he said. “I was in shock. I was standing again. I was looking people in the eyes again, not being looked down on. It was amazing.”

Initially, the therapist uses a control pad to trigger each new step when the patient is in the correct position or tells the therapist he is ready.

In the second stage of the process, patients are able to trigger their next step with a button on the crutch handle or walker.

Patients who have advanced to the next stage in the process simply lean forward and shift their balance to trigger the next step. The device recognizes the patient is in the correct position and automatically takes a step.

Mr. Tilford said if the suit was on the market for home use it would be in his home and he would rarely use his wheelchair.

Bringing wearable robots into the home

Placing the suits into rehabilitation centers is part of the strategy to bring the suits to a larger number of users, according to Mr. Nimmo. The goal is to begin placing the product in the users’ homes by 2014.

“Beyond the tremendous emotional benefit of being able to walk again, we believe there are physical benefits,” Mr. Nimmo said. “One of the things that will be necessary for FDA approval and insurance reimbursement is to have sufficient data to establish that there are medical benefits to the use of the product.”

Tracking patient progress, Mr. Nimmo said, would be an important next step toward providing affordable suits people can use in their homes.

Dr. Gail Forrest is leading a Kessler Foundation research team investigating Ekso’s potential since 2011. Her team collects key data on patient progress as well as the impact of Ekso training on physiologi-

cal parameters such as cardiovascular health, muscle activity, quality of life and chronic pain.

Preliminary results published on the foundation website indicate that people using the device are making improvements in walking speed, distance, gait and balance.

“Individuals with spinal cord injury face years of secondary complications, such as pain, pressure ulcers, depression, bowel and bladder dysfunction, and increased risk for cardiovascular disease,” Dr. Forrest wrote. “That’s why we’re looking beyond the abilities to stand and walk to the potential long-term effects of these activities on health and well being.”

Increases in oxygen consumption and heart rate were also noted, with experienced users displaying an aerobic training effect.

“These are only preliminary data,” Dr. Forrest wrote. “The mechanisms underlying these responses need further investigation. These findings are indicative of potential benefits for the heart, lungs, and the circulation, an important finding in this high-risk population.”

Another interesting finding was increased muscle firing in the lower leg muscles during Ekso-assisted walking. More detailed research is also needed to evaluate the potential health benefits of this muscle activity, according to Dr. Forrest.

Continued research will help offer the evidence needed to ensure insurance reimbursement to individual users for the cost of the device.

Expanding markets

Mr. Nimmo said Ekso was also in the process of developing a suit for use by stroke patients. This, Mr. Nimmo said, would not only enable the company to help a wider range of patients, but would also help Ekso achieve the economies of scale necessary to help moderate the device’s price.

“There are significantly more stroke victims annually than there are spinal cord injuries,

Sacrifices of our servicemen and women paramount

Thanksgiving has provided each of us a moment in time and the opportunity to spend time with those that we are closest to. It has been a time of reminiscing, laughter and embracing love. We remain a Nation blessed and we remain a Nation strong in our beliefs and traditions and steeped in our commitment to family and community.



**CONNIE
BARKER**

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We will be entering the Christmas season soon with the celebrations centered on the Birth of Christ (our Savior) and we will once again have the time to share this miraculous event with our loved ones. We remain strong in our beliefs and we are continuously blessed because we do not sway from our position as a Nation to serve our God with fidelity, equity and justice.

This, to me, defines our success and I believe that we will continue to be blessed as we move our priorities toward the greater good. I am reminded,

once again, about what it means to serve and what it means to have a servant's heart. It is more than just words - it is actions.

I look to our brave service men and women who serve without hesitation to preserve our democratic theme. I think of those who have served our great country and didn't think twice about it. It was the right thing to do and it required no prompting from anyone to move him or her to this high level of service.

Many of these brave service members will not be home for the holidays. They, as many before them, are serving at different duty stations throughout the world. They love us and they protect us and they ask for nothing in return. This is so admirable and moves my heart to ache for them because they cannot be home to celebrate these festive holidays with family and friends.

So, I salute our service members past, present and future and I applaud them for their service. I sleep safe at night because of their individual sacrifices and I ask that as you complete your reading of this article that you take a moment and say a prayer of safekeeping for each of our gallant heroes in uniform.

God Bless,
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The special season; help yourself by helping others

December can be one of the most exciting times of the year, or, it can be one of the most stressful and lonely. Don't let the commercial side of Christmas steal your joy! Enjoy the simple pleasures that this month brings such as, viewing Christmas lights or watching children sit on Santa's



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knee. How about contacting old friends or family just to encourage them? Stop by a Nursing home and visit with the elders. Sing a few Christmas carols. Who cares if you sing off key! When times of loneliness seem to encroach, reaching out to others is the solution. The idea is to "sow" into another person's life; therefore by assisting them, you help yourself!

Last month I decided that we must "do" family pictures. It didn't take too long to remember why we don't do those things too often! Amazing how many opinions I garnered after I had made all the decisions! (Pictures were taken where my great-grandfather, Benjamin Franklin Collins grew up. The Alberson/Collins Home in Colbert, Oklahoma, is known to be the oldest inhabited home in the state.) It was kind of fun, watching grown men flap their arms, make funny faces/noises anything to make that princess of a granddaughter look the right way! Many times the crew was watching the baby attention getters and forgot to look at the camera. You can imagine some of the shots that were taken! Miss Ever Grace has even changed since then. She has now found her feet and toes and loves to place them in her mouth! It is hard for me to fathom that there was a time in my life that my feet were anywhere near my face and that I actually touched them with ease....

Not only did I manage to get the family pictures done but I have started a website. It is under construction, but I did manage to get a few things ready for viewing. Come by and visit the location at www.chickasawbeth.com Keep in mind, it is still in it's fledgling stages... Please help me with this new endeavor by sharing your ideas and comments.

Merry Christmas and have a wonderful holiday season and I will see you next year!

Now the God of Peace be with you all. Amen.
Romans 15:33

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Family of Beth Alexander

Front row from left, son, Joshua Alexander (holding stickball sticks) and Rick Alexander (husband). Back row from left, Will Alexander (son), his wife, Becca, holding their daughter, Ever Grace, June Leake (mom) and Beth Alexander.

One Chickasaw woman, taking big steps in life

Hello Everyone,
I hope you and your family had a happy Thanksgiving, full of good fellowship and good food.

Thank you to everyone who has asked about Shawna and offered up prayers and kind thoughts for her. By the time this article is published, Shawna should have finished her chemotherapy treatments. She will then prepare for surgery to be followed by 32 radiation treatments.



**KATIE
CASE**

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Her strength, along with good doctors, nurses and healthcare professionals at all levels; support from immediate family and all your prayers, positive thoughts and well wishes are getting her through each day. From Shawna and our family, thank you to everyone.

Shawna's goal is complete recovery. Focus on that goal helps her deal with the day-to-day challenges of her treatment.

Focus on the big picture and an ultimate goal also helps a talented Chickasaw woman, Tammy Brown, pursue her dream of earning a college degree.

Tammy is a non-traditional student. She is a 49-year-old senior at East Central University, double majoring in Human Services Counseling and Vocational Rehabilitation Counseling with a minor in Native American Studies.

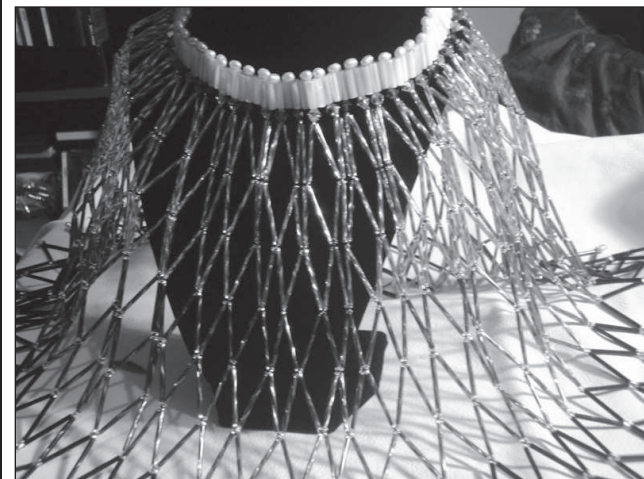
When she started to college, she was a single mom with four children, was working a part-time job and managing all the challenges that come with those responsibilities. Tammy has come so far.

In addition to strength, fortitude and intelligence, Tammy possesses artistic skills. She won third place at this year's Chickasaw Nation Southeastern Art Show and Market. After beading for less than a year, she entered a beaded collar representative of an Oklahoma summer thunderstorm

Tammy's creations are unique and one-of-a-kind. She uses crystals and freshwater pearls, along with traditional beads. The collar is beautifully designed and features incredible use of color. Tammy says the colors for her creations come to her at night, in dreams. At the top of the collar, white pearls represent the white tops of thunder clouds. Under the pearls, long yellow beads depict sunlight. The next two rows are an emerald green and royal blue that portray a summer rain storm coming. In the last row, seed pearls mirror actual rain.

From our family to yours, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Respectfully,
Katie



Discover your Chickasaw roots at the Holisso Center

Chukma!
Greetings from the Tishomingo District!
It is a great time to be Chickasaw and researching your tribal roots can be enlightening and fascinating.



TIM COLBERT

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The helpful staff and resources at the Genealogy Archive Center located inside the Holisso Research Center in Sulphur can provide a wealth of information and assistance with your search.

Dedicated to preserving and sharing Chickasaw history, the Holisso Center provides opportunities for Chickasaw citizens and others to explore Chickasaw and other Southeastern tribes' history and culture.

The new building houses genealogy collections, historic maps, photo archives, historic documents, census records and a complete set of Dawes Commission Rolls of Chickasaw citizens from 1896-1906.

A good place to begin your family research is by looking up enrolled ancestors on the Dawes Rolls, which are the base rolls for the Five Civilized Tribes in Oklahoma.

Taken only in Oklahoma during 1898-1907, the Dawes Rolls of the Five Civilized Tribes was a list of Indians by blood and other people connected to these tribes in Indian Territory during this time.

Dawes rolls for the Choctaw, Mississippi Choctaw, Cherokee, Muscogee Creek and Seminole tribes are also available at the Holisso Center.

Information such as family names, birth and death years, parent's names, marriage dates and tribal affiliation will help the Genealogy staff with the research.

Additional historical topics can be studied at the Chickasaw Council House Museum and the Chickasaw Nation Capitol and Museum in Tishomingo, the Chickasaw White House in Emet and the Tribal Library in Ada. For more information on genealogy research call (580) 622-7130 or email genealogy@chickasaw.net.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your representative on the Chickasaw legislature.

Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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Christmas Celebration at the Cultural Center Dec. 8

Chukma, hello everyone,
Wow! It's December already! I hope you and your family are able to enjoy all the events and traditions that the holidays bring. It was such a blessing for me to see over 600 served at the Elder Thanks-



NANCY ELLIOTT

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giving Dinner held recently in Ada. I really enjoyed visiting with you all and shopping at the booths from the different Senior Sites and Councils.

Thank you to all the employees of the Division on Aging who worked tirelessly to cook and serve our elders a fantastic meal. We hold our elders in very high esteem, and it is wonderful to see so many taking part in the many programs that are available.

Another event that you should make plans to attend is the third annual Christmas Celebration at the Chickasaw Cultural Center on December 8. Traditional Village tours, complete with hot chocolate, will be available. Craft classes,

Santa Claus, and holiday movies will be offered as well.

One of the highlights of the day will be a performance by the band "Injunuity." If you have not heard "Injunuity" play Christmas music, you have missed a real treat!

There are many more activities and events happening throughout the month for all ages. Be sure to check the website calendar at www.chickasaw.net to find out about all the wonderful opportunities in which to participate.

I have many blessings to count this year. I am so thankful to have good health, a supportive family, wonderful friends, and a job that I love. Please let me know if I can help you in any way.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays,
Chipisala' cho,

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Meeting new Chickasaws a great opportunity to serve

Hello and greetings from Legislator Mary Jo Green, Seat 5, Pontotoc District. I spent a few days of November at the Chickasaw Medical Center having surgery for a much needed repair. I am recovering well but missed committee day. I caught up on the month's business at the Committee of the Whole meeting the next week. The telephone, computer and office staff kept me busy and passed off some referrals for information. I send a big thank you to Dr. McClain and staff at the Chickasaw Medical Center for a job well done!



MARY JO GREEN

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Thanksgiving is a time for reflection of the many blessings we enjoy and to thank friends and family for the year past. I ask God's blessings for each of the Chickasaw families for the coming year and that you all have the opportunity to celebrate Christmas with your families. Please also remember the less fortunate among us.

I attended the seniors' Thanksgiving dinner and bazaar. It was well attended with representatives from each senior site. There were many booths with goodies and crafts, chances to win many different items, etc., from the various sites to raise money for the activities they enjoy throughout the year. The Chickasaw Foundation hosted the Friends of the Foundation awards ceremony with a silent auction on Nov. 16.

I would like to share with you a picture of me with a proud Chickasaw, 82 years young, John Hogue, of San Francisco. I met John at the community council meeting in northern California. John was driven to the meeting by his lovely daughter. John will be receiving a Chickasaw Veterans jacket when his paperwork is completed. All Chickasaw veterans can receive a jacket by contacting Ted Underwood at (580) 226-4832. Ted works out of the Ardmore regional office and is ready, willing and quite pleased to assist any Chickasaw veteran with any issue related to being a veteran.

At this time of year, please remember that it is better to give than to receive. I would love to hear from you! My email address is mary.green@chickasaw.net and my address and telephone number are listed elsewhere in this and every issue of *the Chickasaw Times* and on the Chickasaw Nation web site. Until next time, I wish God's blessings on all of our people.

Thank you!



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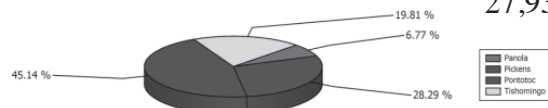
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Pickens	7,903	Tishomingo	5,533
			27,936



Wampanoag shared first Thanksgiving in 1621

This is the time of year when we focus on what we are thankful for. We spend more time with family planning our get-togethers, eating together more often and exchanging gifts. If any of you are on Facebook, you might see people who post what they are thankful for each day during the month of November. I really enjoy seeing the various posts of what people consider important enough to write about.



SHANA HAMMOND

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Here's a little history lesson about how Thanksgiving started. The Plymouth Colonists befriended the Wampanoag Indians, who taught the Colonists how to fish, plant and hunt. In 1621, together, they had a three-day feast to celebrate their bountiful harvest.

Thanksgiving didn't become an annual tradition until the 19th century. In 1827, Sara Josepha Hale, known for writing the nursery rhyme "Mary Had a Little Lamb," was inspired

while reading about the Pilgrims and she waged a 30-year campaign to make it a national holiday. She published recipes for many of the dishes we typically prepare for Thanksgiving today.

In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln announced the nation would celebrate Thanksgiving on the last Thursday of November.

The first "feast" in 1621 probably didn't include turkey, but rather deer and/or fowl. Our families have all created traditions during the holidays. This is what makes us all unique and adds to the excitement leading up to the celebrations.

Whatever your traditions, I pray that each and every one of you has a memorable Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday.

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

~1 Chronicles 16:34

God Bless,

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This very special holiday season, I am very thankful to serve the Chickasaw people. It is such a blessing to

Foundation connects women legislators across the country

Chukma! Chin Chukma to all my friends in the great Chickasaw Nation. I hope this finds you well, happy and planning a beautiful Christmas!

October was the beginning of Fiscal Year 2013 here in the Nation and the Legislature held annual elections to elect new officers for the upcoming year. We welcomed in Chairperson Steve Woods and Secretary Connie Barker. It was my honor to serve as Secretary these last two years and I expect Connie will enjoy the position of Secretary as much as I did. The Nation grew and accomplished so much during those years and I'm so proud to have been a part of that.

Last month I reported on our trip to Sacramento and how much we enjoyed meeting California Chickasaws. This month I wish to tell you about another recent trip. The National Foundation for Women Legislators annual conference was in Atlanta this year. The

conference affords an opportunity for women legislators from across the U.S. to collaborate on critical issues that are important to their constituents. The Foundation strives to enhance networking and build strong relationships among women legislators for sharing ideas, discussing current events and learning about new initiatives and programs. It is very encouraging that the Foundation gives a very warm welcome to tribal legislators also as we want to be recognized and fill our seat at the table.

In 2001, the Foundation created the Intergovernmental and Intertribal Policy Committee to connect tribal leaders with women legislators to work on the many issues facing Indian country. Some of those issues include: sovereignty; jurisdiction; domestic violence; access to health care and substance abuse. The Chickasaw Nation has been represented on the Foundation since 2001, and we will be working hard this year to get many more tribes involved. The work of the Foundation is important to Indian country and we need to maximize the efforts.

I certainly hope to hear from you so I know what I can do to enhance your quality of life. Please contact me through dean.mcmanus@chickasaw.net or call me at 580.436.1460.

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Connections

Connections is a weekly radio program on KCNP that covers a variety of topics and issues.

Each week, special guests are invited to discuss their areas of experience and expertise with host Brian Brashier.

Connections airs live on KCNP at 11 a.m. CST each Wednesday on 89.5 FM or streaming online at www.kcnpradio.org.

This month on *Connections*:

"Home for the Holidays"– December 5

We'll talk with the Director of Main Street Ada in the studio to find out what's going on in the area during the holiday season.

"Salvation Army"– December 12

The Salvation Army bell ringers are a common sight during the holiday season. Find out more about what this agency does locally as well as nationally when we talk to a representative from the Salvation Army

"Ask the Butcher"– December 19

Most folks aren't familiar with what their neighborhood meat market has to offer. We'll talk to an area butcher and discover what services a good butcher can provide.

"Service Organizations"– December 26

This will be our first program in our look at service organizations in the area. We'll have a representative from a local group as our guest to tell us more about their organization and what opportunities might be available for prospective members.

Questions and comments for guests can also be emailed to feedback@kcnpradio.org.

This month on CNTV

Groundbreakings and ribbon cuttings

CNTV covers new developments in the Chickasaw Nation. We look at new ground broken for the new Sovereign Medical Clinic in Norman as well as the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new and expanded Bedre' chocolate facility.

Youth Heritage Day

CNTV also has highlights from the recent Youth Heritage Day celebration at the Chickasaw Cultural Center.

12/12/12 Wedding Celebration

CNTV will also be there for a very special event at the McSwain Theatre. Twelve couples marry on December 12. Find out more about this extraordinary public celebration of love this month!

....and much more! New episodes are available on the first and fifteenth of each month.

Visit www.chickasaw.tv and click on the News channel to watch CNTV.

Military care packages

The Chickasaw Nation distributes military care packages to individuals stationed away from their permanent residences.

The military care package distribution list is made up of Chickasaws, spouses of Chickasaws, Chickasaw Nation employees, spouses of employees and children of employees on active duty and stationed away from their permanent residences.

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Extending health care to OKC suburban area

Ground broken for Sovereign Medical Clinic in Norman



Artist's rendering of Sovereign Medical Clinic and Sovereign Pharmacy & Fine Gifts in Norman.

NORMAN, Okla. – Officials with the Chickasaw Nation recently broke ground on a complex that will house Sovereign Medical Clinic and Sovereign Pharmacy & Fine Gifts in Norman. A division of Sovereign Medical Solutions, the two businesses will be located in one building adjacent to the tribe's Riverwind Casino.

Chris Anoatubby, Chickasaw Nation Division of Commerce chief medical solutions officer, said increased employee numbers in the region helped drive the decision to expand.

Additionally, he said, the tribe's recent expansion of services at a similar clinic in Ada have led to an increased opportunity to provide health care services for people living in Cleveland County.

"We have quickly learned that offering convenient access to a high-quality health care clinic and pharmacy services is valued among our employees, both native and non-native, who are in search of primary health care services," Mr. Anoatubby said. "This new facility takes our ability to serve one step further. We will be able to provide convenient health care for anyone living in the Norman, Purcell and Blanchard areas."

Clinic services will include medical care as well as laboratory and radiology services. The new 13,700 square-foot facility will house 12 exam rooms, an in-house laboratory, retail pharmacy with two-lane drive thru, and gift shop. The complex will have a staff of 30.

"Our dedicated employees play a significant role in the success we have enjoyed," Gov. Bill Anoatubby said. "This new

clinic and pharmacy not only ensure our employees and their families have access to high-quality health care services so important to the quality of life they deserve, but this also is a way to impact positively the lives of those within the communities in which we do business."

The new clinic will be applying the latest technology to manage everything from patient records to appointment scheduling.

A comprehensive suite of more than 50 applications installed at the clinic will support clinical, business and administrative functions that focus on improving patient care and provider workflow.

Located adjacent to Sovereign Medical Clinic, Sovereign Pharmacy & Fine Gifts will house an upscale boutique shopping experience, including high-end designer lines as well as gifts for bridal and baby showers. Oklahoma-made Bedré Fine Chocolate also will be available at the store.

About Sovereign Medical Solutions

Established in 2010, Sovereign Medical Solutions is a group of programs and services that offers patients and medical providers a unique blend of cutting-edge technology, skilled and attentive medical care, and pharmacy expertise.

Sovereign Medical Solutions is made up of three distinct operating units: Sovereign Technology Solutions, Sovereign Family Practice Clinic, and



Governor Bill Anoatubby, center, is joined by tribal and local officials in a ground breaking ceremony for Sovereign Medical Clinic and Sovereign Pharmacy & Fine Gifts in Norman, Okla. From left, tribal justice Cheri Bellefeuille-Gordon, tribal legislator Shana Tate Hammond, justice Barbara Smith, legislators Toby Perkins and Nancy Elliot, Gov. Anoatubby, Chief Medical Solutions officer Chris Anoatubby, Division of Commerce administrator Bill Lance, Manhattan Construction officials Randy Anoatubby and Bob Jack, and tribal official Neal McCaleb. The ceremony was conducted Nov. 15.

Mike McKee

Sovereign Pharmacy Solutions.

About the Chickasaw Nation

With more than 50,000 citizens, the Chickasaw Nation is the 12th-largest federally-

recognized Indian tribe in the United States. The Chickasaw Nation achieved an economic impact of more than \$2.4 billion in Oklahoma in 2011.

The tribe is the seventh-largest employer in Oklahoma, with more than 11,500 employ-

ees.

A democratic republic with executive, legislative and judicial departments, the tribe's jurisdictional territory includes all or part of 13 counties in south central Oklahoma.

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Mr. Nimmo said. "So we want to provide them to that market, because we think it will be very beneficial. It is very different, because typically a stroke victim does not have the use of both limbs, so you have to adjust the device so it will be usable by a stroke victim."

He said that type of suit may be ready in about a year.

"Probably the biggest impediment to significant growth of the product is the price and the fact that it is not reimbursable by insurance," he said. "So, it is sort of a chicken and egg. You need demand to increase volume. You need volume to reduce price. You need reduced price to drive demand."

"It's a business challenge to overcome. And the strategy, we believe, is solid. We believe the stroke market will help deal with the cost factors by producing the demand needed to decrease price."

Mr. Nimmo said that as a

long-time federal contractor, CNI could be in a position to help Ekso market the suit.

"We believe we are in position to help take the product to the federal marketplace," he said. "The Veterans Administration is an obvious market. The Indian Health Service, or any of the large government-operated or funded health care systems that currently do rehabilitation would be markets for us."

Beyond Therapy

While much of the attention on Ekso is focused on the wearable robot designed to help paralyzed patients walk again, Ekso is also developing products for military and industrial use.

In 2009, the company, which was then known as Berkley Bionics, unveiled a product called Human Universal Load Carrier (HULC).

The device was designed to help military personnel lift

and carry heavier objects with less energy and greater efficiency. Ekso reached a licensing and marketing agreement with Lockheed Martin to further develop the device.

Success of that endeavor, Mr. Nimmo said, would also benefit the Chickasaw Nation.

"Our investment includes all of the product lines," he said. "There is an exclusive with Lockheed Martin who provided some of the initial capital for the military application products. It may be that we would be a beneficial partner to Lockheed to help them get that to the federal marketplace as well, I believe."

"As that contributes to the overall success of EKSO Bionics, as a partial owner of EKSO Bionics, it contributes to the success of our investment as well."

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Unique Lowak Sho'li forum hosted by tribe

Discussing Native essence among Indians and non-Indians



The second annual Lowak Sho'li "Carry the Fire" Native Humanities Forum was October 25 at the Chickasaw Nation Division of Arts and Humanities building in Ada, Okla. From left, Division Administrator Lona Barrick, Chickasaw Legislators Mary Jo Green and Nancy Elliott, Oklahoma Humanities Council executive director Ann Thompson, forum panel chair Dr. Phil Morgan, panel members Heather Ahtone, Dr. Joshua Grasso, Linda Hogan, Joshua Hinson, tribal Humanities & Literary Arts Manager Laura Clark and Literary Arts Assistant Jennifer Watson.

ADA, Okla. - The Chickasaw Nation Division of Arts and Humanities and the Chickasaw Clemente course presented the second annual Lowak Sho'li "Carry the Fire" Native Humanities forum in Ada on October 25.

A panel of five scholars was joined by more than 25 Chickasaw citizens and community members to discuss humanities and its value to the society.

Lowak Sho'li provided an opportunity for public dialogue between Native American

and non-Native American sectors on Native humanities for the development and welfare of local communities, regions and the State of Oklahoma.

"The humanities should be action, there is no such thing as abstract humanities," said

panel member Dr. Joshua Grasso. "Every time you hear a song, perform a dance, hear a story, watch a play or read a novel that's an interpretation. Humanities are not just books but they are everything that is living and we share with others."

Dr. Joshua Grasso is an associate professor in the department of English and languages at East Central University in Ada.

The forum also included discussion about historic contributions of Native American and non-Native American humanities, important current initiatives, cross-cultural understanding and cooperation as well as questions and comments from the audience.

Other panel members included:

Panel chair Dr. Phil Morgan, Chickasaw author and Chickasaw Press staff writer.

Ms. Ahtone, James T. Bialac assistant curator of Native American & Non-Western Art at the Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art and adjunct faculty, University of Oklahoma;

Linda Hogan, a Chickasaw poet, novelist, essayist, playwright and environmentalist as well as Chickasaw Nation writer-in-residence; and

Joshua Hinson, Chickasaw Nation Director of Chickasaw Language.

The event was presented as

part of the National Arts and Humanities Month celebration in Chickasaw Nation. The program was funded in part by the Oklahoma Humanities Council (OHC) and the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH).

About Oklahoma Humanities Council

As the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), the Oklahoma Humanities Council (OHC) is mandated to provide the citizens of Oklahoma with opportunities to learn about the human experience through programs based on humanities disciplines. These disciplines include subjects such as: history, language, literature, film studies, art history and criticism, archaeology, jurisprudence, ethics, and philosophy. The humanities are a vehicle to understanding the human experience—the diverse history, traditions, and cultures of the world. It is only through this quest for understanding that we cultivate the wisdom and vision that democracy demands. Any views, findings, conclusions or recommendations expressed in the program do not necessarily represent those of OHC or NEH. For more information, please visit www.okhumanitiescouncil.org.

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Great gifts, extended hours at Arts & Humanities Gallery

ADA, Okla. - The Chickasaw Nation Division of Arts and Humanities Gallery will be open extended hours in December for the holidays.

The gallery will be open 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Dec. 6-7 and 13-14 and 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, 8 and 15.

The gallery offers a large selection of gift items including, one-of-a-kind jewelry, outstanding Chickasaw pottery, beautifully etched glassware and books.

Other items include fine art cards by renowned Chickasaw artists, OSHTALI CDs, Lowak Shoppala' DVD and CD sets, signed limited edition prints,

signed Chickasaw Chamber Music Festival posters, t-shirts and mugs.

Available books include the ancient story of "Spider Brings Fire" and the larger second edition of "Nittak Hollo Nakfish: It's Saturday."

"Spider Brings Fire" is a beautifully illustrated, 50-page hardback book and orchestrated CD produced by the Chickasaw Nation Division of Arts and Humanities.

The gallery is located at 201 N. Broadway in Ada, Okla. It is also open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday - Friday.

For more information, please call (580) 272-5520.

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Language, stickball, stomp dance and more!

Students gather at Cultural Center for Youth Heritage Day



More than 225 area students participated in a Snake Dance during the annual Youth Heritage Day, conducted last month at the Chickasaw Cultural Center.

SULPHUR, Okla. – The Chickasaw Cultural Center was the setting for the annual Chickasaw Nation Youth Heritage Day, conducted Nov. 7.

More than 400 students from area schools were immersed in Chickasaw culture and learned

new skills during the outdoor event, which is conducted during the first week of Native American month.

A total of 484 students from area schools including Marlow, Vanoss, Dickson, Turner, Ravia, Colbert and Lindsay Schools at-

tended the educational event.

The program included lessons on Chickasaw language and cultural and a lesson on the history behind traditional Chickasaw clothing from Dixie Brewer, a traditional storyteller.

Chickasaw Nation language specialists presented a fun lesson on Chickasaw language, and students practiced a few Chickasaw words, such as colors and numbers.

Other activities included stickball, archery instruction and a large stomp dance.

More than 125 students participated in the stomp dance.

Fire prevention was stressed by members of the Chickasaw BIA agency Firefighters and Smokey Bear.

Sue Kelly, a teacher at Turner Schools, brought 16 students.

"They have been waiting all year to play stickball," she said.

Rusty Beard's favorite activity of the day was the drumming and flute demonstration.

"It's cool," he said.

Rusty's granddad Bill attended the event, too.

"I've learned a lot I didn't know," he said.

Lunch concluded the event.

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Rusty Beard and his grandfather Bill, both of Dickson, Okla., attended Youth Heritage Day.



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Annual Christmas Celebration Dec. 8

Holiday lights new feature at Cultural Center for Christmas

SULPHUR, Okla. - Holiday lights and decorations will adorn the campus of the Chickasaw Cultural Center during the annual Christmas Celebration, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 8.

Celebrations of several significant holiday traditions are included in the event. Traditional Village tours, complete with hot chocolate, will be

offered from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. A traditional Stomp Dance will take place in the village at 11 a.m.

A Native American miniature ornament class is planned, as well as a children's ornament workshop.

There is no charge for admission to the Cultural Center campus, village tours, stomp dance, or workshops.

Admission to the Chickasha Poya Exhibit Center is \$6. Chickasaw citizens are admitted at no charge.

Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus will be on hand for visits and photos 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. in the Anoli Theater lobby. Photos with Santa will be \$5.

"Injunuity" will perform in concert. The Native band primarily performs its original

compositions, which combine traditional and modern themes.

"The Polar Express" will be shown in the Anoli Theater at 3 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 1 p.m. Sunday.

Holiday sales will be offered all day at Cultural Center retail shops.

Holiday Tuesday Night Movies

Several fun holiday movies will be featured at the Anoli Theater at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday nights in December, including:

Dec. 4 - "A Christmas Story"

Dec. 11 - "It's A Wonderful Life"

Dec. 18 - "Elf"

Movie tickets are \$2 for children, \$3 for adult. A \$5 combo deal includes soda, popcorn and movie ticket.

The Chickasaw Cultural Center is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday noon to 4 p.m.

For more information about any of the upcoming events, contact the Chickasaw Cultural Center at (580) 622-7130, or online at www.chickasawculturalcenter.com.

The Chickasaw Cultural Center is located at 867 Charles Cooper Memorial Drive in Sulphur.

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Kids to enjoy Christmas Celebrations

Chickasaw kids and their families have an opportunity to visit with Santa and celebrate Christmas at the annual Chickasaw Nation Christmas Celebrations in four cities: Oklahoma City, Ada, Tishomingo and Ardmore.

Tishomingo Area

Monday, December 3

6-8 p.m.

Johnston County Fair Barn, 1301 S. Airport Road, Tishomingo

Celebrate the season with refreshments, pictures with Santa Claus, goodie bags, a snow tube ride and games. Teddy bears, stockings, fruit and door prizes will be given away.

Ada Area

Tuesday, December 4

6-8 p.m.

Pontotoc County Agri-Plex, 1710 N. Broadway, #3, Ada

Snow tube, pictures with Santa Claus, goodie bags, games, refreshments and hot cocoa will be offered. Children will receive stockings filled with treats.

Ardmore Area

Thursday, December 6

6-8 p.m.

HFV Wilson Community Center, 625 East Main Street

Children can snow tube, have their picture taken with Santa Claus and receive a gift bag of candy and toys. Stockings will be handed out and refreshments, including hot chocolate, will be served.

Oklahoma City Area

Thursday, December 13

6-8 p.m.

Orr Family Farm, 14400 South Western, Oklahoma City

Activities for children of all ages will be offered, including a petting barn, pony ride, games and a train ride around the farm to look at lights (weather permitting). Santa will be available for photos and refreshments, stockings, fruit and teddy bears will be given away.

Dress warm for this outside activity.

For questions or additional details call the Chickasaw Nation Department of Youth Services at (580) 310-6620.

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Special Holiday Concert December 8

ADA, Okla. - The Chickasaw Nation Division of Arts and Humanities presents a Holiday Concert, December 8 at 7 p.m. The concert will take place in the Division of Arts and Humanities gallery located inside the Division's building, 201 North Broadway in Ada.

The Holiday Concert will feature the Chickasaw School of Guitar and Chickasaw

Children's Choir students performing select holiday tunes such as "It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas," "Winter Wonderland" and "Peace, Peace."

A reception will follow the concert and a Holiday Art Show and Market will be open for your holiday shopping.

For more information, call (580) 272-5520.

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Elders celebrate 'Thriller' Halloween



Chickasaw elders celebrated a "Thriller" of a Halloween October 25. A spook house, games, a cupcake walk and lunch at the Agri-Plex in Ada were features of the day. The group was treated to a Halloween skit "Thriller" performed by members of the Chickasaw Nation Division on Aging staff. "Let's Make a Deal" was also a part of the festivities. From right, Vernon and Margaret Hunt, of Sherman, Texas, and Vernon and Carol Dodson get into the spirit of the holiday.

Marcy Gray

Japanese visitors to Cultural Center



Ikuko Yamamaru, chief of Cultural Heritage section at the Shiraori (Japan) Museum, presents a blessing stick to Lisa John, Division of History and Culture administrator. Mr. Yamamaru carved the prayer stick while sharing dances of the Ainu tribe with Chickasaw Cultural Center visitors. Mr. Yamamaru was part of a contingent of Ainu and Japanese delegates who toured the cultural center last month to see how Chickasaw people keep their heritage alive and to gather ideas for their own center. Carol Ellick and Dr. Joe Watkins from the University of Oklahoma said the group wanted to tour the center because it is one of the best examples of a tribal cultural center in the world.

Chickasaw actors, models, singers, dancers invited

'Head shot and resume' workshop set for performers

The Chickasaw Nation is offering "head shot and resume" workshops designed for actors, models, singers and dancers. All ages and levels of experience are welcome at the workshop, 6:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday, January 24-25, 2013, at the Chickasaw Nation Arts and Humanities building.

The building is at 201 N. Broadway, Ada.

The workshop on Thursday, January 24 will be for children, younger teens and their parents. The older teens (and their parents) and adults workshop will be Friday, January 25. The workshop will be limited to 10 participants per night and include a question-and-answer session.

At the end of the session, each participant will select a time slot for Saturday, January 26, to have head shots completed by a professional photographer.

During the sessions participants will learn about resumes and how to ensure they have a professional one, even for those with little or no experience.

A "head shot" refers to publicity photos of the type most often utilized by people in the entertainment industry.

The differences in types of head shots will be discussed and both good and bad examples will be shown. Attendees will also learn about the type of clothing and make-up need-

ed that will best compliment the individual.

Saturday, actual head shots will be taken by the photographer. Class participants are asked to bring a new thumb drive so their photos can be downloaded.

Certificates will be awarded at the end of the workshop. Copies of the photos and resumes will be on file in the performing arts department of the Division of Arts and Humanities for use in casting calls. Notification will be made to the individual/parent before releasing information to any casting crew and/or agent.

"It is important to provide services and training to our Chickasaw citizens and others

to assist them in developing professional looks and habits in order for them to more successfully audition for films, commercial and stage productions," Arts and Humanities administrator Lona Barrick said. "We are pleased to offer this workshop so people will know what is expected for professional head shots and resumes, which are a standard requirement for all film, commercial and modeling auditions, and are requested more and more when auditioning for plays. To complement this workshop, we will be offering basic, intermediate and advanced 'acting for the camera' classes for those who need to learn correct acting techniques for film and video. We also will be scheduling classes in stage acting and creative writing.

"Our goal at the Division of Arts and Humanities is to ensure we offer classes in all the arts - visual, theatre, film, mu-

sic and creative writing."

Deadline for registration is January 19. Should there be a waiting list for this workshop, other workshops will be offered. Scholarships are available for Chickasaw citizens. Fees for non-Chickasaws are \$40.

Instructor for the classes will be Debra Collins Bailey, who holds a master's degree in performing arts and has taught acting for the camera for talent agencies in Oklahoma City and Tulsa, as well as private classes. She will be working through the Arts and Humanities' performing arts department.

The workshop will be conducted in the black box theatre in the arts and humanities building at 201 N. Broadway in Ada.

For more information, and to register, contact Bailey at debra.bailey@chickasaw.net or at (580) 272-5520.

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Spring Chickasaw Clemente classes at ECU, SOSU

The Chickasaw Nation Division of Arts and Humanities is offering two exciting opportunities beginning in January to explore the heart, spirit and creativity of the Chickasaw people.

Students are enrolling now for the spring 2013 Chickasaw Clemente humanities study courses. The Clemente courses are offered at East Central University in Ada, Okla., and Southeastern State University in Durant, Okla.

Students in Clemente I explore Chickasaw humanities in depth in contrast to Western humanities. Clemente II students discover aspects of Chickasaw humanities, as

contrasted with other North American tribal cultures. The courses are complementary and need not be taken in any order. Students earn three college credit hours upon successful completion of each course.

Along with readings and lively class discussions, humanities professors and notable guests help students through the discovery process with special presentations in the fields of government, art, language, literature and other disciplines. One hour each class period is devoted to basic Chickasaw language instruction. Chickasaw language instructors for the courses are Emma McLeod at ECU and Hannah Corsello at

SOSU.

Chickasaw citizens may qualify for one of a limited number of scholarships during the semester, made available through the Chickasaw Nation Division of Arts and Humanities. Chickasaw Nation employees may also earn Individual Development Plan (IDP) credit upon course completion.

For more information about the Clemente humanities courses, please contact Jennifer Watson in the Chickasaw Nation Division of Arts and Humanities at (580) 272-5520, or by email jennifer.watson@chickasaw.net.

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Instructors sought for 2013 Chickasaw Summer Arts Academy

The Chickasaw Nation Division of Arts and Humanities is accepting applications for instructors for its annual Chickasaw Summer Arts Academy.

The Chickasaw Summer Arts Academy is a two-week exploration into the world of fine arts for students ages eight-18. The 2013 Academy, themed "Spirit of a Nation," will be July 15-27, 2013 on the campus of East Central University in Ada, Okla.

The disciplines to be taught include vocal music, theatre, theatre technology, dance, creative writing, visual arts in 2-D and 3-D, music composition, photography, textile design, cultural arts and video production. There are opportunities for instructors to teach interdisciplinary sections. Classes include three levels of instruction. Level one is a fine arts rotation for younger students who will gain daily experience in six art disciplines. Level two is an intermediate, multidisciplinary design encompassing arts that relate closely to one another. Level three is offered to older students who have been accepted into one major

discipline of study.

All art professionals are encouraged to apply and are asked to submit a letter of interest to Academy, the Chickasaw Nation Division of Arts and Humanities, post office box 1548, Ada, OK 74821 or fax to (580) 272-5525. The letter of interest must include the following: area of expertise, desired teaching level (one, two or three), a brief description of training and experience, short description of curriculum contents and estimated budget and a paragraph describing your teaching philosophy. In addition, please submit your resume or vita and example of your artwork, film, literary work, musical composition, general photography and/or photographs from your stage productions. All letters must be received by January 18, 2013.

For more information, contact the co-directors of the Academy, Laura Stewart at Laura.Stewart@Chickasaw.net or Frieda Clark at Frieda.Clark@Chickasaw.net, or by phone at (580) 272-5520.

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Girls, young ladies - we want your butterfly artwork!

Create your most stunning butterfly artwork and you could win \$200!

The Chickasaw Nation Division of Arts and Humanities is accepting entries for a butterfly logo. Entries will be accepted through Jan. 25, 2013.

Chickasaw female artists, ages 14 through 18, are encouraged to submit one piece of artwork. The art may be in a medium of the artist's choice. Entries should be between 10 inches and 20 inches in size and may be submitted on art paper, canvas or art

board.

The winning logo will be used in all artwork and promotional materials for the 2013 Dynamic Women of the Chickasaw Nation Conference and Forum. Hosted in partnership with the East Central University, the conference and forum recognize the strength and leadership of Chickasaw women from all walks of life.

The winner will also receive a \$200 cash award.

Entries can be delivered to the Arts and Humanities

office at 201 N. Broadway in Ada or mailed to Chickasaw Nation Division of Arts and Humanities, P.O. Box 1548, Ada, OK 74821. The entries can also be emailed to artistinfo@chickasaw.net.

Artists must be able to provide proof of Chickasaw citizenship.

For more information, please contact Laura Clark of Jennifer Watson at (580) 272-5520 or email jennifer.watson@chickasaw.net.

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Hayaka Unta brings families together in natural setting



Antwain Primm, 14, Isaiha Primm, 6, Antonio Primm, 8, and James Primm, 10, with their mother Toni Garvin gather before fishing poles and to display their pumpkin carving skills.

Spring and summer are often thought of as the camping season in Oklahoma, but the autumn months have much to offer those willing to bundle up during the cool, crisp nights. This fall, 29 campers from 10 families enjoyed the Chickasaw Nation Hayaka Unta Camp, October 19-21, at Camp Simpson near Bromide, Okla.

Hayaka Unta - "To Stay in the Wilderness" - allows campers to share quality time with people important in their lives while enjoying the natural beauty of the outdoors. This camp strengthens the bonds among families by removing the distractions of everyday life.

For many, Hayaka Unta was a

first camping experience.

"My boys have stayed in a tent in our backyard, but I have never slept in one or been camping," said Toni Garvin of Ada. "We are learned a lot about camping."

As a mother to four boys who attended the camp, Gavin shared the same tent with them and the family managed to stay warm in the chilly autumn nights.

"We all cuddled up together last night," said her six-year-old son Isaiha. "It wasn't too cold or too hot. It was just right."

Archery, fishing, canoeing, shooting, a ropes course and Chickasaw cultural events are some of the activities offered at camp. "Roughing it," campers spent the weekend away from modern conveniences and slept under the stars. Special musical guest John Henry provided fireside entertainment.

Favorite activities at camp included the intimidating climbing tower and ropes course. For seven-year-old Ashton Bierce of Ada, it was an experience to remember.

"It makes me nervous watching him climb so high," said his mother Tonya Bierce. "But he wants to and he says he is braver than his dad."

For those less adventurous and wanting relaxation instead of thrills, lake activities met their needs.

"Kayaking has been my favorite part of the camp," said Marissa Wheeler, 13, of Ada. "I like the water. I also liked sleeping outside."

Hayaka Unta happens twice a year in spring and fall. Since the camp's beginning, more than 640 Chickasaws have participated. With its limited space, Chickasaw youth are encouraged to submit applications well in advance. Families not selected are placed on a waiting list for the next available opening.

"This was my tenth Hayaka Unta to work on personally," said Josh Jennings, Chickasaw Nation activities specialist. "Each one has been really great. We try to do things to change them up and keep the camps interesting for people

that have been to them in the past."

For more information, contact the Chickasaw Nation Youth Services Department at (580) 310-6620, or visit www.chickasaw.net

Camp Simpson

The Arbuckle Area Council Camp Simpson is located in Bromide, Okla. Covering approximately 2,042 acres within the Chickasaw Nation, Camp Simpson offers 12 campsites surrounded by trees, hills and a 130 acre lake which provide a natural setting for plants and wildlife.

The numerous amenities located at Camp Simpson include rifle and archery ranges, rappelling tower and zip line, dining halls, activity pavilions, a chapel and many support buildings. Professionally staffed shooting range.

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Archer Derek Lollis, of Blanchard, Okla., helps his daughter, Allison, 8, properly notch an arrow.



Kenny Morgan, of Ada, and son Jason Morgan, 13, practice shooting together at the professionally staffed shooting range.

Ag Census to represent Indian farmers, ranchers evenly

Chickasaw Nation farmers and ranchers will soon have the opportunity to take part in the 2012 [Census of Agriculture](#). Conducted by the [National Agricultural Statistics Service \(NASS\)](#), an agency within the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), the census captures a complete count of all U.S. farms, ranches and those who operate them.

The findings of the census are a valuable resource. Conducted every five years, the information collected helps farmers and officials make business, program and policy decisions.

“Government officials use the information learned from the Agriculture Census in many ways,” said Wilbert Hundl, Jr., Director of the NASS Oklahoma Field Office. “The findings of the census are used by state and county officials to fund community infrastructure projects and agribusiness to make informed decisions based on the collected data.”

The last census, conducted in 2007, counted more than three million farms and ranches in the United States spanning more than 922 million acres. American Indians made up 2.4 percent of this number, or roughly 80,000 farmers.

With just over an 88 percent increase in the number of Native American farm and ranch operators from the previous Census in 2002, the 2007 increase was due to the census now counting all farmers on reservations as individual farming operations, instead of a single reservation as a single farm operation. The number of Native American farmers in the U.S. is expected to grow in the 2012 Census of Agriculture.

The method of counting individual tribal farmers allows them to be heard at the local, state and federal levels. To further understand Native American farmer’s needs, NASS places an emphasis on improving the count of this previously under represented population.

As preparations continue for this year’s Census of Agriculture, the USDA-NASS calls on farmers and ranchers to [share their stories](#), [ask questions](#) and talk to their fellow producers about the efforts to count

them. Answers to the Census help grow America’s farm future, shape farm programs and boost services.

Census forms will be mailed in late December and responses are due by Feb. 4, 2013. Pro-

ducers also have the option to complete forms [online](#).

For more information about the Census, visit [www.agcensus.usda.gov](#) or call 1-800-4AG-STAT (1-888-424-7828).

HAYAKA UNTA



Ashton Bierce, 7, of Ada, rides the zip line after an intense climb on the rope course.



Marissa Wheeler, 13, of Ada, and her mother Shonda Dickson launch her Kayak for a relaxing afternoon on the water.

Finances in good shape through first month of new fiscal year

FINANCIAL REPORT

The tribal government caption includes the tribe’s general fund and the tribe’s BIA trust funds. The Chickasaw Businesses include all of the businesses and operations of the Division of Commerce. Not included in the financial statements are federally or state funded programs and/or grants and the financial statements of Bank 2 and Chickasaw Nation Industries, Inc.

The growing needs of the businesses are taken into account when determining the transfers from the businesses to the general fund. It is vital to the long range mission of the Chickasaw Nation that the businesses continue to grow and diversify.

Revenues of the tribal operation, other than the transfer from businesses, include motor fuel settlement funds and investment income. Chickasaw Businesses revenues include gaming revenues net of prizes, sales revenue at convenience, travel plazas and tobacco stores, rent and investment income.

Tribal expenditures are classified by function. General government includes the maintenance and operations of tribal property, *Chickasaw Times* and Governor’s and Lt. Governor’s offices. Expenditure for education includes education scholarship as well as the tribe’s Division of Education. Health expenditures include eye glasses, hearing aids, prescription drugs, wellness

center, community health clinics, catastrophic medical assistance and other similar programs not covered by federal programs or grants.

The businesses’ expenditures are classified as to expenses associated with gaming operation of the tribe and the other businesses of the tribe.

Executive Summary of the Financial Statements of the period ending October 31, 2012

Tribal Government

Revenues and transfers from the businesses for operations and fixed assets totaled \$10.8 million for the month and year-to-date. Expenditures were \$7.6 million for the month and year-to-date.

Chickasaw Businesses

Revenue net of gaming prizes through October totaled \$89.6 million. Net income before the transfers to the Tribal Government was \$15.3 million year-to-date. After transfers to the Tribal Government for capital projects and tribal program operations the net income was \$4.6 million year-to-date. The net income includes all revenue, including amounts reserved for business growth and expansion.

Statement of Net Assets

At October 31, 2012, the tribal government funds had \$196.5 million in cash and investments. Of this amount, \$20.1 million is in the BIA Trust funds. This total does not include any federal program funds.

The businesses had \$149.4 million in cash and investments which is reserved for accounts payable and business operations.

As of October 31, 2012, tribal op-

erations, excluding federal program funding, had net assets of \$1.477 billion compared to \$1.473 billion at September 30, 2012 or an increase of \$4.7 million.

Chickasaw Nation Tribal Operations Statement of Revenues and Expenditures For the One Month Ended October 31, 2012

Revenues	
Transfers from businesses to tribal government	
Total funds available	
Expenditures	
General government	
Legislature	
Judiciary	
Education	
Heritage Preservation	
Health	
Youth and Family Services	
Nutrition Programs	
Regulatory	
Assistance Programs	
Gaming expense	
Other businesses' expense	
Total expenditures	
Increase in net assets	
Beginning net assets	
Ending net assets	

Tribal Government	Chickasaw Businesses	Total
123,681	89,594,412	89,718,093
10,663,540	(10,663,540)	-
10,787,221	78,930,872	89,718,093
1,093,298		1,093,298
224,916		224,916
87,254		87,254
914,304		914,304
1,118,591		1,118,591
1,228,405		1,228,405
912,671		912,671
367,971		367,971
654,652		654,652
1,005,416		1,005,415
	51,126,829	51,126,829
	23,216,281	23,216,281
7,607,477	74,343,110	81,950,586
3,179,745	4,587,762	7,767,506
659,560,719	810,471,469	1,470,032,189
662,740,464	815,059,231	1,477,799,695

Chickasaw Nation Tribal Operations Statement of Net Assets October 31, 2012

Cash and Investments	
Receivables	
Inventory	
Prepaid expenses	
Other Assets	
Fixed assets	
Less payables	
Net Assets	

Tribal Government	Chickasaw Businesses	Total
196,553,641	149,403,906	345,957,548
34,420,472	68,383,185	102,803,657
34,094	7,354,526	7,388,620
	15,440,436	15,440,436
	1,202,500	1,202,500
435,898,974	728,815,048	1,164,714,022
(4,166,718)	(155,540,369)	(159,707,087)
662,740,464	815,059,231	1,477,799,695

Veteran educator Wells named Education administrator



Danny Wells

ADA, Okla. - Governor Bill Anoatubby has announced the appointment of C.M. Danny Wells administrator of the

Chickasaw Nation Division of Education.

Mr. Wells has been employed with the Chickasaw Nation since 2004 and has served as director of the Chickasaw Nation Head Start program since 2005.

Four Chickasaw Nation Head Start centers serve more than 260 three- and four-year-old children throughout the Chickasaw Nation.

"We are confident Danny Wells will do an excellent job leading the Division of Education," Gov. Anoatubby said. "He understands the importance of our education programs and how critical they are to our

people's success. Education is a top priority, and he has the experience and expertise needed to continue to enhance the education of all Chickasaws."

As Division of Education administrator, Mr. Wells will oversee child care, Head Start, education services, support programs and vocational rehabilitation.

"I am thankful for the opportunity Gov. Anoatubby has given me to serve as administrator of the Division of Education," Mr. Wells said. "Being named as an administrator is very humbling for me. Under the leadership of Lisa John, the Division of Education has ex-

panded its services and experienced a growth in the number of facilities. We plan to continue the quality services we now provide and look for ways we can enhance our educational programs and services."

Prior to his appointment, Mr. Wells served as director of the Head Start program, manager of career and education, and director of adult education.

Mr. Wells professional history includes years as an Oklahoma public school teacher. He taught agricultural classes, junior high and high school science and technology.

He earned both bachelor's and master's degrees from

Oklahoma State University.

He has teaching certifications in agricultural education, science and technology and junior high and high school principal certifications.

Mr. Wells is also a licensed minister and serves as an elder at East Main Church of Christ, Stratford, Okla.

He and his wife, Betty, have three adult children and reside in Stratford. His parents, Morgan and Phercella Wells live in Ada, Okla.

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Sheilla Brashier receives IFEA Festivals & Events certification



Sheilla Brashier

a mark of distinction", IFEA president Steven Schmader said. "These individuals have proven their commitment to continuous learning and professional growth, which in turn translates into the continued growth and success of their own festivals/events, as well as our industry as a whole."

Mrs. Brashier serves as director of special services in the tribe's Division of Communications.

In her role, Mrs. Brashier oversees the activities and events at the McSwain Theatre, the Annual Meeting and Festival, and the Chickasaw Outpost retail store.

She also oversees the Chickasaw Community Centers in Ada and Marshall County, and the Chickasaw Community Outreach activities across the U.S.

Mrs. Brashier and her husband, Brian, live in Ada with their daughter Shann. Mrs. Brashier has a 21-year-old stepdaughter, Brealyn.

Headquartered in Boise Idaho, the IFEA is a non-profit membership organization with members in 40 countries. The Association offers the most complete source of idea, resources, information, education and networking for festivals and event professionals world-wide.

For more information on the IFEA go to www.ifea.com

At the recent convention of the International Festivals & Events Association (IFEA), in Denver, Sheilla Brashier of the Chickasaw Nation received professional designation as a Certified Festival and Event Executive (CFEE).

Initiated by the IFEA in 1983, the certification program recognizes professionals in the festivals and events industry who have attained the highest level of competency in their field. Requirements for obtaining the CFEE designation include experiential career achievements; required course work; published article(s) based on research pertaining to events; professional speaking requirements; and meeting the professional standards of the association and its assessment board.

"The CFEE designation is

Lots of fun at Cultural Center Fall Fest



Jermayah, left, and Tessa Cook, of Wichita Falls, Texas, decorate pumpkins during the Chickasaw Cultural Center's annual Fall Fest, October 20. More than 1,400 people attended the event, which featured traditional food, games and activities.



Swedish exchange student Moa Cizkerman, 17, enjoys roasted corn and lessons about Chickasaw Nation culture and heritage during the annual Chickasaw Cultural Center Fall Fest. Miss Cizkerman is hosted by the Baxter family in Lawton, Okla.



Chickasaw Cultural Center Visitor Services Assistant Sandy Strickland dishes out several varieties of pashofa at the Fall Fest Pishofa Cook-Off Oct. 20. More than 1,400 guests attended the event.



Roasted corn dripping with butter was a huge hit at the Chickasaw Cultural Center Fall Festival. Samples of several traditional food items were available including; fry bread, blackberry cobbler, sassafras tea, molasses bread and pashofa.

Chickasaw law enforcement veteran named Lighthouse Chief



Chief Randy Wesley

ADA, Okla. - Governor Bill Anoatubby has announced the appointment of Randy Wesley as chief of Chickasaw Nation Lighthouse Police.

Mr. Wesley, a Chickasaw citizen, has previously served as a Bureau of Indian Affairs special agent for over 20 years.

"We are confident in Chief Wesley's abilities to lead the Chickasaw Nation Lighthouse Police," Gov. Anoatubby said.

"As an experienced peace officer, he respects the history of Lighthouse police and understands the importance of the department's mission: to serve and protect and make sure our citizens and facilities are safe."

Mr. Wesley will oversee Lighthouse Police Department officers, staff and operations of the department.

"As a BIA agent, I had an opportunity to work with tribes all over the country, and I have always been impressed by the Chickasaw Lighthouse Police," Mr. Wesley said. "It is one of the most respected law enforcement agencies in the state. We look forward to continuing the tradition of excellence."

Gov. Anoatubby's commitment to high standards and quality services to Chickasaw citizens, Mr. Wesley said, was key to the success of the police department.

"When the standards are set high, the department will run well because the people

will know what is expected of them," he said.

Mr. Wesley said he was grateful that Gov. Anoatubby had the confidence to appoint him to lead the Lighthouse Police.

"It is an honor to be appointed by Governor Anoatubby as chief of police."

Mr. Wesley fills the chief's position that came open when Chief Jason O'Neal took a job with the BIA Office of Justice Services.

Initially, Mr. Wesley said he hoped to increase the number of officers and enhance response times. Continuation of cross-deputization efforts throughout the state and nation, he said, were also top priorities. Cross-deputization agreements work to eliminate jurisdictional uncertainties and deliver more efficient law enforcement services.

Mr. Wesley has completed several special training schools including the Criminal Investigator Academy at the Fed-

eral Law Enforcement Training Center in Glynnco, Georgia, and more than 2,000 hours of Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training.

He is a graduate of Kiowa (OK) High School.

Mr. Wesley has spent his entire career in the McAlester, Okla. Area. He started his law enforcement career with the McAlester Police Department as a dispatcher in 1980 and advanced to patrolman, narcotics investigator and later detective corporal. He began his service as a BIA officer in 1992.

He is active in his church, The King's House Church in McAlester, where he oversees various ministries.

He and his wife have four grown children and two grandchildren.

About Lighthouse Police

Lighthouse is a historic name given by the [Five Civilized](#)

[Tribes](#) to their mounted police force.

Once removed to Indian Territory, the Five Civilized Tribes, including the Chickasaws, created the elite Lighthouse police.

The Chickasaw Lighthouse Police Department, re-established in 2004, has grown to include 31 sworn uniformed and investigative officers, two dual-certified narcotic K-9 Units, a Dive team and a Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team. Lighthouse officers have been part of several cooperative law enforcement initiatives in southern Oklahoma. These include the District 22 Drug Task Force, a joint anti methamphetamine campaign with the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and a joint operation with the Pontotoc County Sheriff's Department to help curb underage drinking.

To contact the Lighthouse Police Department call (580) 436-1166 or (580) 436-7213.

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Tribal transit driver Ray Meely tops in 'Bus Rodeo'



Ray Meely

Marcy Gray

Chickasaw Nation Road to Work driver Ray Meely excels at his job.

In fact, he earned the title as one of the best minivan drivers in the state when he placed first in the Oklahoma Transit Driving Championship.

The competition was Oct. 18 in Oklahoma City. Mr. Meely

competed against 11 minivan drivers from transit agencies around the state.

During the competition, drivers traverse an obstacle course and must execute several different vehicle maneuvers. Drivers must complete the timed driving course in less than seven minutes to qualify for

an award.

Drivers are also scored in three other categories: proper use of a wheelchair lift; conducting a pre-trip vehicle safety inspection; and written examination on rules of the road.

At the end of the completion, Mr. Meely was named "best of the best" in his field, and was awarded a plaque and a trophy.

"We are very proud of Mr.

Meely for his accomplishments, as well as the other Chickasaw Nation Transportation Service drivers who serve our community every day," said Angie Gilliam, Chickasaw Nation transportation services director.

Road to Work program manager Rick Miller added, "Our drivers participate in many hours of training to ensure we provide our clients and riders

with the safest and most efficient transportation available."

Mr. Meely, of Sulphur, has worked for the Chickasaw Nation Transportation Department for nine years.

Mr. Meely also qualified to represent Oklahoma at the National Rodeo, set for May, 2013, in Albuquerque.

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Tamara Jones honored by legislature



Veteran caterer Tamara Jones holds the plaque presented to her recently by the Chickasaw Tribal Legislature. Mrs. Jones has catered events for the legislature, and throughout the Chickasaw Nation, for many years. The legislators honored Mrs. Jones during November's Committee of the Whole meeting at Treasure Valley Hotel & Casino in Davis, Okla. Back row from left, legislators Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Mary Jo Green, David Woerz, Tim Colbert, Connie Barker, Toby Perkins, Beth Alexander and Katie Case. Front row from left, legislators Shana Hammond, Nancy Elliott, Mrs. Jones, legislators Linda Briggs and Dean McManus.

10-year anniversary of Chickasaw Space Shuttle mission

Herrington dedicated to helping students 'soar'



Commander John Herrington, USN

Ten years ago, Commander John Herrington, USN had the rare opportunity to soar above the earth for almost two weeks during his November, 2002 mission aboard the Space Shuttle Endeavour.

As the first enrolled Native American citizen in space, Cmdr. Herrington, a Chickasaw, has had the opportunity to speak to thousands of students about the importance of education.

Today, he is still focused on using his own experience to help others learn to soar.

"I would love to spend the rest of my life going to the Native American community and other places where kids don't have much opportunity and get these kids to fly," he said. "That is a great self-confidence booster. I love to fly. I would love to give kids the same thing."

Cmdr. Herrington, now retired from the U.S. Navy, has a proposal for a project that would enable him to do just that.

His proposal, "Soaring Eagle," involves offering a six-week program to students who never thought they would have the opportunity to fly. The program would include classroom

instruction in mathematics and aerodynamics as well as flight instruction.

Students would also have the opportunity to hear from successful individuals and mentors who would offer encouragement and motivation. At the end of the program, students would have the opportunity to fly solo.

"I really believe you can take kids who have never been exposed to aviation and teach them to fly and they are going to come out on the other side much more motivated, with greater self-esteem and the ability to take on greater challenges," Mr. Herrington said.

His goal is to help motivate students to focus on knowledge, rather than grades.

"All the studying I've done in the military and at NASA - all the studying I did had a direct application to what I was going to do," he said. "And the better you learned it the better off you were going to be. The safer you were going to be - certainly flying airplanes."

Even though he had dreamed of becoming an astronaut since he was a child, it took some time to realize what he would have to do to make that dream

a reality.

"I started out college not knowing what to do and I didn't study very hard, didn't do very well," he said.

Proper motivation, he said, was the eventual key to his success.

He gives much of the credit for his success to individuals who took the time and made the effort to offer encouragement and advice that motivated him to succeed.

Today, Mr. Herrington is working toward his doctorate in education at the University of Idaho. His work at the university involves using his own story as the basis for research into motivation.

"I am writing my story on how I came through this process and I'm comparing it to what the research shows," he said. "It's funny that a lot of what happened to me - the research shows that is what is supposed to work."

Mr. Herrington is adding to that research with a project of his own, based on students who have participated in the NASA Summer of Innovation program. That program enables teachers to utilize NASA curriculum to get students interested in math and science.

"What I'm doing is going through the data of kids who have already participated in that program," he said. "I want

to go back and interview those kids three years later and say 'I know what your numbers are, I know the data, but I want to know what you think. I want to hear from you what this means to you. Did it make a difference?'"

His goal is to go beyond evaluating the effectiveness of the program to understand why it was or was not effective.

"What I'm trying to find out is what motivates a student to learn. A student should be motivated to learn for an intrinsic reason that should be internal, rather than external."

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Farrand, Pritchett, Myrick awarded Chickasaw Foundation scholarships Recipients

The Chickasaw Foundation is pleased to announce the following scholarship recipients.

Mr. Stephen Farrand is the recipient of the Edward L. Kruger Memorial Ittish Aai-



Stephen Farrand



Stephanie Pritchett

sha Scholarship. Stephen is enrolled at Lipscomb University, College of Pharmacy.

The David & Carolyn Nimmo Graduate Business Scholarship recipient is Ms. Stephanie Pritchett



Danelle Myrick

who is seeking her masters of business administration from the University of Oklahoma.

The Chickasaw Foundation Career Technology Scholarship was awarded to Ms. Danelle Myrick who is a student at High Plains Technology.

Employee Charitable Contribution Plan

The Chickasaw Foundation is greatly appreciative to employees who elected to donate to the Foundation through the Employee Charitable Contribution Plan (ECCP). We will mail receipts to ECCP participants who contributed over \$250 to the Foundation during 2012. Upon request we will also issue receipts for those who contributed other amounts. You may contact our office by calling (580) 421-9030 or by e-mail at ChickasawFoundation@chickasaw.net.

Thank you for your continued support, and for helping to make a difference in the lives of others!

"The life of a man consists not in seeing visions and in dreaming dreams, but in active charity and in willing service"

— Henry Wadsworth Longfellow



Foundation Annual T-Ball Tournament April 26-27

The 5th Annual T-ball Tournament will be April 26-27, 2013 at the Kiwanis Baseball Park in Ada.

This will be a double-elimination tournament and only the first 10 teams will be ac-

cepted. The entry fee is \$100 and the age cut-off date is January 1. Players must be 6 years old on or before December 31 to play.

Visit www.chickasawfoundation.org for updates.

BIRTHDAYS



KiMora Barber

KiMora Barber will turn seven years old December 1. She will celebrate by being pampered by her favorite nail salon, going skating and going to her favorite restaurant.

She is the daughter of Tyson and Jermaine Barber. She is the granddaughter of Shirley Kelly and the great-granddaughter of the late Mary Etta Dick Kelly.

She enjoys playing soccer, cheerleading, painting, talking on the phone and playing with her big brother.

We love you KiMora and we hope you have a wonderful seventh birthday!

Mom, Dad and DaRayvion

Mary Ruth Barnes named Cancer Society 'Top Performer'



American Cancer Society Director of Estate Services Mary Ruth Barnes, a Chickasaw citizen, accepts the Society's Top Performer Nationwide Award from Society chief operating officer Greg Bontrager during ceremonies recently in Atlanta.

ATLANTA - Mary Ruth Barnes, director of estate and asset services for the American Cancer Society in Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma, recently

received the Top Performer Nationwide Award from the Society's Planned Giving Busi-

ness Unit.

The Top Performer Nationwide recognizes the employee who has received the highest performance in planned giving with the Society's Planned Giving Business Unit. Mrs. Barnes documented over 5.7 million in 2012 planned gifts to help fight cancer.

In addition, Mrs. Barnes met all merit goals.

The Top Performer Nationwide is someone willing to embrace new ideas and initiate new concepts to be utilized by others for the benefit of the American Cancer Society.

Mrs. Barnes joined the American Cancer Society in 2008. She had previously served as director of development for the Advancement Office of East Central University in Ada, Oklahoma, and executive director of Valley View Foundation, also in Ada.

She has recently completed her Certified Fund Raising Executive Program certification.

Mrs. Barnes is a Chickasaw citizen and has received honors for her watercolor artwork, cur-

rently featured in the Chickasaw Nation Medical Center in Ada. She is very active in her community through the Ada Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club, current President of Artists of the Arbuckles Association, and AFP of Oklahoma, an organization that promotes philanthropy by empowering people and organizations to practice ethical and effective professional fundraising.

"It is an honor to be the recipient of such prestigious recognition," Mrs. Barnes said. I am excited to be a part of an organization where I can help bridge the gap between the American Cancer Society's mission and the desires of Society donors, who are passionate about the use of their dollars to fight back against cancer."



Mrs and Mrs. Robert Perry

McWilliams, Perry marry in Connecticut

Annie McWilliams Cooper and Robert Johnson Perry were married October 11, 2012 in a traditional Mohegan blanket wrapping ceremony.

The wedding was celebrated in Marksville, Conn., at the Mohegan Sun during a conference of the United Southern and Eastern Tribes.

The wedding was performed by Marie A. Pineault, who is a member of the Council of El-

ders of the Mohegan tribe, and was assisted by Robert Thrower, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer for the Poarch Creek Nation.

The bride is the daughter of Inez Walker McWilliams and John H. McWilliams. The groom's parents are Sophia Frey Reeder Perry and Johnson Robert Perry.

The couple will reside in Tusculumbia, Alabama.



Mannsville School students enjoy day at Chickasaw Festival

Students from Mannsville (OK) School attended the Chickasaw Festival in Tishomingo.

The fifth and sixth graders bounced in the bounce houses, ate cotton candy, made crafts and played stickball. The students went to the Chickasaw Festival to learn about the Chickasaw Indians and their customs. The students played stickball. It had one pole with a fish at the top of it. The boys used stickball sticks and the girls used their hands. There was only one ball and if it hit the pole it was two points and if the ball hit the fish-it was

game!

The girls were able to tackle the boys, but the boys could not tackle the girls. In the end, the girls won! The man who taught the students how to play gave them a pair of homemade stickball sticks for the students at Mannsville School because he said they were the best players all week!

We had lots of fun! Thank you for giving us the sticks!

(Note from the students' teacher, Mrs. Garone: Unsuccessful attempts were made to identify the gentleman who gave the students the stickball sticks.

His kindness was very appreciated by the students. We are so proud to have them! Thank you for honoring them.)

Thank you to Governor Anoatubby and everyone in the Chickasaw Nation who makes the Chickasaw Festival so much fun for students and such a great learning experience. We had THE BEST time and learned a lot.

Nellie Garone
Mannsville School
Stickball Fun

By: Emily Baldwin and Gus Peeples (Mannsville School Sixth Grade)

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Little Chickasaw runner winning distance events



Greg Hays and daughter Caitlin Mary Hays.

A Chickasaw girl is doing well competing in running events.

Eight-year-old Caitlin Mary Hays, of Tyler, Texas, recently took first place in two Texas five-kilometer runs.

Caitlin was first in her age division during the "Run for Sight" Oct. 27 with a time of 30:45. She also finished first in the Oct. 7 "Tyler Rose" run with a time of 31:27.

Caitlin is proud of her Chickasaw heritage. She has

been running with her father, Greg Hays, for the past several months.

She is the daughter of Greg and Kara Hays, of Tyler. Her grandparents are Kariel and Kathy Ladner, of Kiln, Miss., and Phil and Trish Hays, of Hot Springs, Ark.

Caitlin is the great-granddaughter of Lillian Fowler, one of the first Chickasaw Nation Community Health Representatives.

Robin Ray tops in NJCAA distance categories



Robin Ray

A Chickasaw runner has continued to be among the top junior college distance special-

ists in the country.

Robin Ray runs for Cowley County (KS) Junior College. She was the 2010 National Junior College Athletic Association champion in the 3,000-meter indoor run with a time of 10:12.10. She also finished second in the 10,000-meter run with a time of 37:25.88.

She was named the Cowley College Female Student-Athlete of the Year in 2010.

At McAlester (OK) High School, Miss Ray was a four-time state qualifier in cross country and track.

She is the daughter of June Ray, of McAlester.

Chickasaw actress making most of skills on HBO series 'Enlightened'

From dancing to acting, performing arts is a part of Chickasaw heritage. At the heart of each genre of performing art is the art of storytelling. This National Native American Heritage Month, the Chickasaw Nation takes a look at one artist who has taken her voice and her talent from the written page to television screens.

The entertainment business has taken Chickasaw citizen Christie Volkmer literally around the world - and back. She has parlayed her experience in a reality show into an opportunity to work with noted actors including Laura Dern and Molly Shannon on a HBO series.

"I was fortunate to have been chosen as a cast member of 'The Amazing Race' Season 14," she said. "While on the show, I traveled around the globe, experiencing different customs and cultures in places such as India, Russia and Thailand. While on the show, I formed some close friendships which led to my being cast for the HBO series 'Enlightened,' which is currently in production for its second season."

While on the reality show "The Amazing Race," Volkmer met Hollywood writer/actor Mike White who also was on the show. Best known for writing and appearing in the Jack Black movie "School of Rock," White and Volkmer became friends. When he was approached by HBO to do a series, he called Volkmer and asked if she would go to Los Angeles to be part of the production.

Not only did Volkmer get a small part in "Enlightened," she was even in the very first scene of the pilot episode that featured the lead in the show, Laura Dern. Volkmer said at the time she didn't know what she would be doing, but that White liked to put her in funny predicaments just to see how she will react.

In the first pilot scene, Volkmer didn't have a script. The only direction she was given was to go into the scene and say a couple of things - but she said she was thinking that she didn't want to mess it up.

Dern, who recently won an Emmy for her performance in the show, plays a character



Christie Volkmer

who has a breakdown at her job but then finds spirituality and comes back to the office a new person. The second season of the show, which recently wrapped production, finds Volkmer with a larger presence.

Her character now has a name - Kim - and she plays an assistant to Molly Shannon's character. Volkmer and Shannon, who many remember as a former cast member of Saturday Night Live, have become so friendly on the set that they have even been separated for giggling too much.

Working on a major television show as a Chickasaw citizen has given Volkmer the opportunity to share her heritage in a new way.

"I feel it is extremely important to promote Native American heritage," she said. "When I think of Chickasaw heritage, I think of a rich history of a

people who have always been able to overcome adversity through adaptation and tenacity, proving time and time again that the values instilled in them through their heritage make them an integral part of American society, especially in the fields of art, education and humanities."

Volkmer has taken that tenacity with her to the set of her television show.

"I was amazed at how much work it takes," she said. "You just don't stop. You keep working and working. When we wrapped on the final day, it was a 17 hour day."

But television projects aren't the only creative outlet Volkmer has. Her lifelong passion for animals has resulted in the creation of her children's book - "Talon Tales: Talon Adopts Shiner" - which promotes the adoption of shelter animals and responsible pet care.

"My husband and I also have been involved in the founding of Whispers of Hope at Newey Ranch," she said. "It is a non-profit whose mission is to provide a safe horseback riding program for people who are mentally, physically or emotionally challenged."

Whether it is taking her Chickasaw heritage with her to television, in books or in the community, Volkmer is committed to preserving the culture and heritage of Chickasaw people.

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Choice in sixth grade leads to career

Chickasaw trombonist performs with Chicago Symphony



Steven Warren

CHICAGO - When 12-year-old Chickasaw Steven Warren first picked up a trombone, he had little idea how music would shape his life.

Now a 23-year-old graduate student at Northwestern University, Mr. Warren is working hard to make his dreams come true.

Playing with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra for nine days last spring was a major

highlight.

One of his teachers at Northwestern invited him to participate.

"Chicago Symphony has always been the ensemble I have looked up to and being asked by my teacher to play in the ensemble was a dream come true," Mr. Warren said. "It was amazing."

The request was unique, considering only one or two Northwestern students each year are asked to perform with the Symphony.

"I went to the Symphony to pick up my music and they thought I was there to pick up music for the Youth Orchestra," he chuckled.

He performed two different programs with the Symphony; a Pops-type concert at the "Keys to the City" Festival, and a traditional program.

To prepare, he poured his concentration and focus into the music.

"I listened to that music constantly," he said. "There was no way I was going to make a mistake in that first rehearsal."

During that first surreal rehearsal, he performed with his heroes.

"I've looked up to everyone

in that orchestra since I started playing, and to be able to make music with them was an incredible opportunity," he said. "They were all super nice, too. Some of the nicest people I have ever met."

After three rehearsals, it was time for the concerts.

Nerves set in.

"Usually I don't get nervous for orchestra performances," he said. "I am in the back the orchestra and play my part, but the first rehearsal and first concert with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, I was so nervous, and my heart was pounding. You just can't make a mistake."

Mr. Warren's summer performances ended, but he is still setting and working toward goals.

His ultimate dream is to work with his role model, Mark Lawrence, a trombonist with the San Francisco Symphony.

"Once I heard him play, I said 'I want to sound like him.'"

Mr. Warren was able to work with his idol the past summer at the The Music Academy of the West Summer School, in Santa Barbara, Calif.

The Music Academy of the West has trained the next gen-

eration of great classical musicians by providing opportunities for advanced study and intensive performance in a supportive environment.

At the Academy, he was selected to serve as a mentor to a high school student and he gained personal satisfaction from that experience.

His ultimate dream is to play in any orchestra in California, where the music scene is thriving, and teach at a university.

Starting on the Path

When Mr. Warren was introduced to the "band" concept, the sixth-grader wanted to play drums.

But, on try-out day, he was told he could choose between the trumpet and the tuba.

"So I chose the medium, the trombone."

In high school, he began to take band seriously. "I just loved it and I didn't want to do anything else."

He contemplated studying chemical engineering and psychology.

"But there was no choice," he said. "Music was the thing to do."

After graduation, he went on to study at Oklahoma State University.

While a student at Oklahoma State, Mr. Warren made history as a member of the OSU Trombone Octet and Quartet.

The group won several awards including the 2008 Down Beat Student Music Award for Classical Group, ITA Remington Trombone Choir winners, and the Seretean Trombone Quartet. The 2010 OSU Trombone Quartet was selected best of 29 quartets from around the world.

While an undergrad, he was also selected to participate in the 2011 CCM Spoleto Program at the Festival dei due Mondi in Spoleto, Italy.

His advice to younger band students is to "keep doing it" and "don't give up."

Mr. Warren is the son of Wayne "Fuzzy" and Gwen Warren, of Ponca City, Okla.

He received his Bachelor of Music degree from Oklahoma State University and is currently a Master of Music candidate at Northwestern University, in Evanston, Ill.

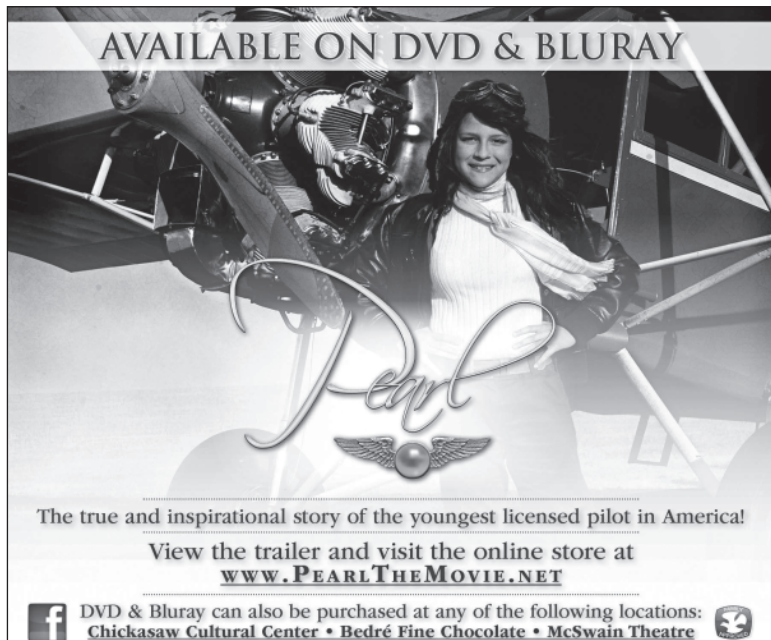
In a late development, Mr. Warren was invited back and played with the Symphony on Thanksgiving weekend.

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Looking to grandfather's story, teaching respect for culture

Chickasaw educator honored by National Indian Education Association



Silas Wolf

A dedicated Chickasaw educator was recently honored as "Male Elder of the Year" by the National Indian Education Association.

Silas Wolf, a tutor and mentor at Norman (OK) Public Schools, received the prestigious award during the organization's 42nd annual national convention Oct. 19 in Oklahoma City.

An attorney for many years, Mr. Wolf closed his law practice in 2007 to follow his dream of educating young people.

"When I saw there was a chance to work with Native students, I thought it would be a lot of fun, said Mr. Wolf.

"Turns out, it's the best job I ever had."

Mr. Wolf saw the tutor position as a way to give back to his tribe, by helping to educate and motivate younger Native generations.

Following in his Grandfather's Footsteps

As an educator, Mr. Wolf was also following in the footsteps of his grandfather, the late Key Wolf.

A Chickasaw from Davis, Okla., Key Wolf was captain of the 1908 University of Oklahoma football team.

As a student, he understood that many Indian children did not have the opportunity to pursue higher education. While still a student at OU, he made an appeal to the Chickasaw tribal legislature to appropriate money towards Indian education. His plan would have provided funds to Indian students graduating from industrial schools who wanted to pursue

college degrees.

After graduating with a bachelor's degree in geology and spending years working as a teacher in Bureau of Indian Affairs schools, Key Wolf returned to his boyhood home of Davis.

He was principal, athletic director and coach at Davis High School from 1926 to 1930, leading the football team to its first undefeated season in 1929.

The Davis team is called the Wolves in his honor. Wolf Field, the home of the Davis Wolves, was also named after the distinguished coach.

Key Wolf later returned to OU and earned his master's degree in education. His 1931 master's thesis was entitled "Federal aid for the education of Indian children in the public Schools of Oklahoma."

Silas Wolf carried on that tradition when he began working as an Indian Education tutor with Norman Public Schools. He later added the duties of college and career assistant.

Mr. Wolf has introduced hundreds of Native students to higher education opportunities by presenting college and

career seminars and by taking many students to colleges and universities in Oklahoma and surrounding states.

He also has tutored hundreds of students in virtually all subjects offered at the high schools.

Under his guidance, Native American clubs at Norman High School and Norman North High School have participated in a wide variety of cultural activities.

Mr. Wolf has also presented tribal sovereignty seminars for Oklahoma History classes at the high schools.

Mr. Wolf graduated from Norman High School and earned a bachelor's degree in zoology from the University of Oklahoma 1971.

He earned a juris doctorate from the University of Oklahoma School of Law in 1975.

After graduation, Mr. Wolf entered into the partnership of Henson and Wolf in Shawnee, Okla., emphasizing a general law practice.

He later formed the partnership of Wolf and Wolf with his father, Silas Wolf, Sr., in Norman, Okla. This partnership

lasted until his father died in 1996.

During this time, he handled several important product liability cases and practiced in several tribal courts in Oklahoma.

Mr. Wolf is also a master instructor with the Ching Yi Kung Fu Association and holds black belts in other martial arts.

He operates the Ching Yi Kung Fu Academy associated with Norman Parks and Recreation. He has also taught martial arts for the Chickasaw Nation.

He is also an experienced cyclist and has bicycled across much of the U.S., Canada and Europe.

He keeps in constant touch with the language and cultural programs of the Chickasaw Nation, as well as participating in stomp dances of the tribe.

Mr. Wolf and his wife live in Norman.

About National Indian Education Association The National Indian Education Association advances compre-

hensive educational opportunities for American Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians throughout the United States by advocating for educational excellence, opportunity, and equity for Native students.

NIEA focuses on helping tribes and communities control and choose excellent education for our Native students, promoting culturally based education that allows Native students to preserve languages and traditions of their tribes and nations and expanding equal educational opportunity for every Native student regardless of where they live.

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Chickasaw shooters host traditional archers at 'Shoot of the Nations'



Gov. Bill Anoatubby with the next generation of cornstalk shooters.

KULLIHOMA - More than 50 archers from across the state participated in the annual "Shoot of the Nations" cornstalk shooting competition on Oct. 20. The shoot was hosted by the Chickasaw Nation at Kullihoma.

Shoot of the Nations is more than a competition. It is a gathering of Indian archers from across Oklahoma who share similar cultures and histories.

Many tribes within Oklahoma have organized teams. These teams share not only the sport, but the cultural aspect of making bows, traditional regalia and other native traditions.

"We are engaged in something extremely special here," Gov. Anoatubby said at the Shoot. "It takes us back to our heritage and you're preserving our culture. You are part of something that was almost

lost. We don't want to lose anything like this."

Cornstalk shooting is a traditional Native American sport. Participants compete by using custom, hand-made bows. The archers shoot at two targets made of cornstalks at opposite ends of a field. The sport has been revitalized by Chickasaw archers in recent years.

"Interest in traditional bow making continues to grow in Oklahoma," said Chickasaw bow maker Wayne Scribner, of Ada. "Cornstalk shoots are the traditional outlet for native bow makers of the American Southeast. Bow makers come together and share with one another, while archers can display their one of a kind hand crafted bows."

Two divisions competed. Archers age 12 and under, and adult archers. An adult prize shoot took place after competition.

The youth division included 13 children. The first place winner was eight-year-old Dylan Leep, of Tahlequah. Summer and Junior Parker, ages nine and 10, of Wagoner,

Okla., took second and third place, respectively.

Cornstalk shooting is a family affair for the Parkers.

"Me and my brother have been shooting for about two and a half years," said Summer. "My great-granddad started teaching us to shoot."

Pete Vann, the Parkers' grandfather, explained more about the family connection of cornstalk shooting.

"I got into the sport by my dad, it's always been a part of my life," said Vann. "For most of us involved it's a family tradition. For a long time I thought everyone's dad sat on the back porch working on bows."

Trophies in the adult division were awarded to Gary Ashmore, first place; George Lowe, second; Darren Dirkson, third. All the adult division winners are Cherokee.

The much anticipated prize shoot began after a light lunch. Mr. Scribner, a Chickasaw shooter, took first place, winning a carved tobacco pipe. Mr. Ashmore was second and was awarded a Pendleton blanket.

Mr. Vann took third and won a beautiful Western-style knife.

Traditional shooting standards and rules applied in the competitions. The standards allowed the use of store-bought bow strings, arm guards, finger tabs and other related equipment. Actual bows must be hand-made using traditional Native American methods.

Currently, more than 50 Chickasaws practice cornstalk shooting regularly. Organized practices are conducted Tuesday evenings, weather permitting, on the field next to 111 Rosedale Road, in Ada.

"Gov. Anoatubby has given a lot of support to cornstalk shooting," Mr. Scribner said. "We are fortunate to have a practice facility in town. We also are provided with the location in Kullihoma to have our official shoots."

For more information, contact Tim Cornelius at (580)272-3695.

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October 2012 Outstanding Achievement Award recipients

Meghan Sliger

Meghan, daughter of Chad Sliger and Rogenette and Wade Whittington, of Stonewall, Okla., is an October 2012 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Academic Achievement.

Meghan is in the fourth grade at Stonewall Public Schools and was nominated by Indian education coordinator Shayna Stone.

"She is an outstanding student and needs to be recognized," said Stone. "She scored advanced in mathematics and made straight A's on this semester report card."

Meghan loves playing softball, basketball and being outdoors. Her favorite subject is math and she enjoys being at school so she can spend time with her friends.

"I want to play softball for Oklahoma State University and become a school teacher," said Meghan.

Kaley Sanders

Kaley, daughter of Josh and Jerri Sanders, of Stonewall,

Okla., is an October 2012 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Academic Achievement.

Kaley is in the fifth grade at Stonewall Public Schools and was nominated by Indian education coordinator Shayna Stone.

"She scored advanced in mathematics and made straight A's on this semester report card," said Stone.

Kaley enjoys going to church and playing sports. She also likes to go hunting and spend time with her family.

"I plan to play softball at the University of Oklahoma," said Kaley. "I also want to be a doctor when I grow up."

Jonathan Abram

Jonathan, son of Leo and Terri Abram, of Ardmore, Okla., is an October 2012 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Citizenship.



Jonathan Abram

Jonathan is in

the fifth grade at Charles Evans Elementary and was nominated by fifth grade teacher Joey Adams.

"Jonathan is an outstanding student and hard worker," said Adams. "He is very friendly and a great role model."

Jonathan enjoys drawing, playing video game and watching movies.

"I plan to graduate high school and attend the University of Oklahoma," said Jonathan.

Jade Russell

Jade, daughter of Kirk and Paula Russell, of Ardmore, Okla., is an October 2012 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Citizenship.



Jade Russell

Jade is in the fifth grade at Charles Evan Elementary and was nominated by fifth grade teacher Melanie Miller.

"Jade is a very hard worker and a great role model," said

Miller. "She would make a great representative for the Chickasaw Honor Club."

Jade enjoys dancing, singing and acting.

"I want to be a professional dancer, singer and actress," said Jade.

Stevy Reeves

Stevy, daughter of Tanae Reeves of Ada, Okla., is an October 2012 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Citizenship.



Stevy Reeves

Stevy is in the fourth grade at Latta School and was nominated by fourth grade teacher Marsha Reeves.

"Stevy is a very respectful and polite young lady," said Reeves. "She accepts all challenges put before her and works her hardest to understand any new concept. She is always willing to help with any task at hand."

Stevy enjoys swimming, softball, basketball and cheer. Her

favorite subjects are math and reading.

"I would like to be a teacher," said Stevy.

Isaiah Ott

Isaiah, son of Chris and Lisa Ott of Ada, Okla., is an October 2012 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Citizenship.



Isaiah is in the eighth grade at Latta School and was nominated by science teacher Rick Sanders.

"Isaiah is a polite student and puts forth a good attitude in the classroom and in athletics," said Sanders. "He is a good student and is nice to have in my classroom."

Isaiah enjoys playing basketball and video games with his friends and family.

"I plan to go to college and hopefully play in the NBA one day," said Isaiah.

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Youth Clothing Grant Application Deadline Dec. 31

The deadline for application submissions for the Chickasaw Nation Youth Services Clothing Grant for the 2012-2013 academic year is Dec. 31.

The grant assists eligible Chickasaw students, ages 3-18 by providing \$200 to purchase clothing for the school year.

The Youth Services Clothing Grant Application is available for download at www.chickasaw.net/ysclothinggrant or by

emailing clothinggrantprogram@chickasaw.net, and it must be completed in its entirety.

The application is also available in person or by mail at the Chickasaw Nation Division of Youth & Family Services building, 231 Seabrook Road, Ada, Okla. 74820, phone (580) 272-5585.

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Spring semester 2013 grants, scholarships application deadline is February 1

Chickasaw students wishing to receive higher education grants and scholarships for the 2013 spring semester must apply by **February 1**.

Students participating in an undergraduate, graduate or doctoral program from an accredited college are eligible to receive assistance through a number of grants and scholarship programs provided by the Chickasaw Nation.

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sist part-time and full-time students with tuition, books and fees.

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Chickasaw Foundation Event

Cook, Chapman, Manning, others recognized at Friends of Foundation

On Friday, November 16, the Chickasaw Foundation announced the 2012 Friends of the Foundation award recipients at a reception and silent auction at the Chickasaw Community Center.

Following a sign language rendition of the Lord's Prayer by the reigning Chickasaw Princesses, Dr. Tina Cooper, Medical Director of Sovereign Family Practice Clinic, thanked those in attendance for their support.

"At this time of year, when we are thinking of all our blessings, we want to make sure that you know as individuals and as an organization, we truly appreciate your donations, sponsorship and generosity," Dr. Cooper said, "You have helped make a sig-

nificant impact on people's lives this year."

On behalf of the Chickasaw Foundation, Dr. Cooper presented several awards at the reception.

- Volunteer of the Year - Courtney Cook

- Philanthropist of the Year - Sandy Chapman

- Employee Charitable Contribution Plan Donor of the Year - Dr. Tessa Manning

Special acknowledgment was extended to Terry Walker, Terri Haney, JoAnn Ellis and the Chickasaw Nation Uniform Distribution Center.

Guitarist and vocalist Kyle Mott performed "This Little Light of Mine" as guests were treated to a slide show presentation showcasing 2012 Chickasaw Foundation

scholarship recipients, notable contributions, trips and appointments.

In 2012, the Chickasaw Foundation awarded 69 scholarships, totaling more than \$82,000. Over 700 new employees joined the Employee Charitable Contribution Plan and more than \$127,000 was collected from the Plan this year.

The mission of the Chickasaw Foundation is to promote the general welfare and culture of the Chickasaw people by supporting educational, health, historical and community activities and programs.

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255 youngsters have one great day!

Head Start kids enjoy culture, reading at Cultural Center



Head Start students Rhylee Schultz and Christian Hendrix nibble fry bread at the Cultural Preservation event at the Chickasaw Cultural Center.

Two hundred and fifty-five children celebrated the 2012 Cultural Preservation and 2nd Reading is Fundamental (RIF) Book Event at the Chickasaw Cultural Center on November 16.

Students from the four Chickasaw Head Start Centers, child care and the Chipota Himita program explored Chickasaw culture through a variety of booths and demonstrations.

"This is a very exciting and unique opportunity for our young students to learn more about Chickasaw culture and heritage," said Chickasaw Nation Division of Education Administrator Danny Wells. "We are fortunate to have a facility like this within the Chickasaw Nation. The Chickasaw Cultural Center staff members have been exceptional partners in this event. We really enjoy working with them."

Throughout the day, students were encouraged to try out Chickasaw instruments and shell shakers, sample traditional foods like grape dumplings and pashofa, and

learn more about Chickasaw language, clothing, bow making and dance.

The Chickasaw Dance Troupe led the preschooler, teachers and parent volunteers in a dance on the stickball field, and Smokey Bear was on hand with his firefighter friend, Tom Schultz, to teach the preschoolers about fire safety and prevention.

In honor of the 2nd Reading Is Fundamental event, each child in attendance received a free book to take home, and Stephanie Scott, Chickasaw Cultural Center Visitor Service Assistant Manager, read the story of "Baby Rattlesnake" to the students.

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In celebration of Cultural Preservation, Wayne Walker and the Chickasaw Dance Troupe lead students, teachers and parents in traditional dance on the stickball field at the Chickasaw Cultural Center.



Stephanie Scott shares the story of "Baby Rattlesnake" with children in attendance at the November 16 Cultural Preservation and Reading Is Fundamental event.



Students from Ms. Walton's Ada Head Start class learn hands-on about shell shakers in traditional Chickasaw dance.

Te Ata portrayed by Choctaw actress in 'Hyde Park on Hudson'



Kumiko Konishi

Mary "Te Ata" Thompson Fisher is a cultural icon for many Native Americans. Te Ata, an enrolled citizen of the Chickasaw Nation, was a master storyteller and entertainer who took her talent across the globe singing and dancing for presidents and kings.

One of those instances will be a key moment in a new Bill Murray movie, "Hyde Park on Hudson" which will be released December 7. The film centers on the historic 1939 meeting between President Franklin Roosevelt and King George and Queen Elizabeth of England at FDR's home in New York. It was during that meeting that Te Ata performed for the dignitaries, and also represented Native American culture to the world leaders.

Playing Te Ata is an actress with Choctaw and Japanese heritage, Kumiko Konishi.

Before getting the part, Konishi said she wasn't familiar with Te Ata. However, she soon began to research her and learned she was an important figure not only in Native American culture but to Americans and to women in general.

"What was kind of crazy in not knowing about her was how rounded she was in her accomplishments and as a person," Konishi said. "In that time, to have such an education and such a worldliness to be able to travel on her own, on her own accord to spread the word and educate people on our culture. I felt there was a beauty inside of her and a regalness. She had an energy that apparently emanated from wherever she went."

Konishi said that from what

she later learned about Te Ata, she was a humble person but one who attracted attention to who she was and what she was performing.

"She was one of those people that when she walked into a room, people would turn their heads," the actress said of Te Ata. "And it's not just the fact that she was a beautiful woman. She had a presence about her. It was her strength, her poise, her education and her experience in life that emanated from her but in a very humble way which I thought was really nice to bring to the role."

In the film, Te Ata is seen dancing for FDR and the English royalty. While there isn't much film of Te Ata during those days, Konishi said she

take advantage of the skills she had and to focus them on changing the mindset of people back then."

At that time, Konishi said, most people thought of Native Americans as depicted in western movie and being shown as "the savages who attack the white man."

"She was trying to change people's viewpoints through entertainment because that was the only portrayal people were seeing of native people at that time," she said. "It is important to see that there are other significant people who had a very big influence on our native people."

Konishi said she believed Te Ata saw this appearance as a great opportunity to tell the story of Native Americans. She



was able to see one silent movie of Te Ata which she used as inspiration for her performance.

"Because we didn't have specifics of the type of things she did there, we focused more on the dancing," she said. "We knew that she often shared dances from different tribes... and that she wore traditional buckskin."

While Konishi's part is a small one in the movie, she said she knows there is so much more to Te Ata that today's audience doesn't know.

"Hopefully, the film will pique their interest and ask 'Who was this woman?'," she said. "I want people to know there was somebody besides Pocahontas in our culture."

Konishi said that anytime she tells people of her Native American heritage, the first response is that she would make a great Pocahontas.

"So, it is nice to show that there are other historical figures," she said. "Te Ata was an astounding woman. She did so many things as a person, especially during that time to go against the grain. She was versed in Shakespeare. She was on Broadway. She knew how to

had the world stage at that moment, and thought that since they would be looking at her anyway she might as well teach



Kumiko Konishi with other actors from the film "Hyde Park on Hudson" including Bill Murray who plays FDR, at left. (Picture pulled from actress website)

them something.

"It was like she wanted to show these people our culture, our dance, our music," she said.

Starring in the movie are Academy Award nominees Bill Murray and Laura Linney. The story centers on the meeting between the two world leaders. It marked the first visit of a reigning British monarch to America as Britain was facing imminent war with Germany. Seen through the eyes of "Daisy" (Linney), Franklin's neighbor and intimate, the weekend produced a special relationship between two great nations.

"Even being on the set felt

very real," she said. "It took you back to that era."

Konishi said she is very excited for the movie to come out and introduce a new generation to Te Ata - if even briefly.

"It's a big film and I've yet to see it myself, so I am very excited," she said. "There are some phenomenal actors in this film. It was great to be around them, who are all so well trained. It was a highlight for me as an actor just to be around them."

For more information about the film, and to watch a trailer, visit: http://focusfeatures.com/hyde_park_on_hudson.

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Kay Anders, 580-283-3979

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Bi-Monthly, 3rd Monday at 6:30 p.m.
Tony Poe, 580-421-4994

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Quarterly, 4th Thursday at 6:30 p.m.
Ruth McAdoo, 580-564-6803

Marshall County Chickasaw Community Council
Quarterly, 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
Sarah Lea, 580-564-4570

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Northern Pontotoc Chickasaw Community Council
Monthly, 2nd Thursday
Potluck at 6 p.m. and Meeting at 7 p.m.
Todd Griffith, 405-615-1303

OKLAHOMA CITY

OKC Metro Chickasaw Community Council
1st Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
Betty Smith at (405) 348-7459
pikeyscrossing@yahoo.com

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Purcell Chickasaw Community Council
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Carolee Maxwell, 405-527-7676

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Johnston County Chickasaw Community Council
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Ann Fink, 580-371-3351

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Chickasaws of Arizona
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Northern California Chickasaw Citizen Connection
Quarterly
Phil Reynolds, 916-988-8182

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Chickasaw Community Council of Colorado
Bi-Monthly
Stephen Bingham, 303-377-4637

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Pacific Northwest Chickasaw Community Council
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North Texas Chickasaw Community Council
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Tyler Area Chickasaw Community Council
Quarterly
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Kim Hulsey is Customer Survey winner

Congratulations to Kim Hulsey, of Edmond, Okla., for winning our quarterly customer service survey \$100 prize!

Thank you to all who completed our Customer Service Customer Survey Winner Survey through the internet and remember we will be having our next drawing soon. Hope to hear from each and everyone of you.

To enter go to www.chickasaw.net and click on the link for customer service surveys.

Complete the Customer Service Survey and win!

Chickasaw citizens who complete a tribal customer service survey can win \$100.

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To promote student development for
Chickasaw students attending
institutions of higher education.

History

In 2008, the Chickasaw Nation established the Chickasaw Learning Community (CLC) at the University of Oklahoma. In the fall of 2011, the program expanded to East Central University (ECUCLC). The CLC's purpose is to connect Chickasaw students to their heritage, culture and aid in retention. This is accomplished through cultural, social, academic and career development events.

Key Components for Chickasaw Students

- Chokka' Kilimpi' serves as a catalyst to encourage students to explore a career in the helping fields. If students choose another career option, they will see the benefits of working with Chickasaw citizens and giving back to the Chickasaw community.
- The CLC works to help Chickasaw students find fulfilling academic majors and support them as they continue finding a successful career path.

If you have any questions about the CLC, please contact Karen Fish at 405.767.8948 or karen.fish@chickasaw.net.



Undeliverable addresses of tribal citizens

The following is a list of voters for whom we do not have current addresses. Application can be found at www.chickasaw.net. You may send your applications to: **Chickasaw Election Commission, P.O. Box 695, Ada, OK 74821-0695**

For more information or to inquire about your voting status, please call Election Secretary/Tribal Registrar Rita Loder at (580) 310-6475 or toll free 1-888-661-0137.



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Mary Lidwinna Hayes



Mary Lidwinna Hayes, of Lindsay, Okla., died Oct. 23, 2012 at Integris Baptist Hospital, Oklahoma City, after a brief bout with lung cancer.

Mrs. Hayes was born March 29, 1943 to Ruby Colley Baber-Pogue and Roy Baber. She is the granddaughter of original enrollee Ella Brown Colley.

She was very proud of her Chickasaw heritage and spent numerous occasions at the Chickasaw Nation Purcell (OK) Senior site. She loved the Senior site's yearly trips.

She loved to bake cakes for any and all family occasions. Over the years she won many ribbons for her cross stitch.

Her hobbies included air brushing, glass etching, knitting, painting, yard sales and playing softball.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and brothers, Redon and Ned Baber.

She is survived by her husband, Steve, of 47 years; a special friend, Dax Jerry Lee, of the home; three daughters, Tawnya' (Andy) Brogan, of New Knoxville, Ohio, Terza Mason, of Celina, Ohio and Tia Campbell, of Norman, Okla; five grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; a sister Mollie Perry, of Lindsay; and numerous beloved nieces and nephews.

She will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Cody Nathaniel Johnson



Cody Nathaniel Johnson, 18, of Gaar Corner, Okla., died Nov. 14, 2012 near Ada, Okla. Services were Nov. 17 at the Ada High School Cougar Activity Center, with the Rev. Lucas Cane officiating. Burial followed in Memorial Park Cemetery, Ada.

Mr. Johnson was born Jan. 10, 1994, at Ada, to Charles and Angie Flowers Clark.

He attended Vanoss (OK) and Ada grade schools and was currently a senior at Ada High School. He was a member of the 2012 Ada Cougar football team and the Cougar baseball team.

He is survived by his parents, Angie and Bert Masters and Charles and Ruth Clark; his siblings, Katie Akerman and her husband, Jacob, Paul Johnson and Taylor Hanson, Alex Clark and Alex Williams; his grandparents, John and Mary Flowers, Cindy Johnson, and Charles T. Clark; a niece and nephew, Abigail and Brodie Akerman; aunts and uncles, Don and Christy Stockton, Holly Flowers, Johnny Flowers, Woody and Marion Johnson, and Joe Paul Johnson; his cousins, Jessica, Jackie and Ryan Stockton, Jino, Megan, Lindsay and Taylor Johnson, and Jennifer Johnson; and his girlfriend, Lindi Robinson.

Bearers were Paul Johnson, Jacob Akerman, Don Stockton, Ryan Stockton, Joe Johnson and Alex Williams. Honorary bearers were Alex Clark, Johnny Flowers and Aaron Stovall and the Ada High Cougar football and baseball teams.

The family says those who wish may make memorials to the Cody Johnson Memorial Fund c/o Citizens Bank, P. O. Box 1468, Ada, OK 74821; or contact Dave Hammond, Darrell Thompson or Todd Boone at (580) 421-2085 for more information.

Obituaries may be viewed and online condolences sent to criswellfh.com.

In Memory Geraldine Alexander



I see the countless Christmas trees around the world below, with tiny lights, like Heaven's stars, reflecting on the snow.

The sight so spectacular, please wipe away the tear, for I am spending Christmas with Jesus this year.

I hear the many Christmas songs that people hold so dear, but the sounds of music can't compare with the Christmas choir up here.

I have no words to tell you the joy their voices bring, for it is beyond description to hear the Angels sing.

I know how much you miss me, I see the pain inside your heart. But I am not so far away, we really aren't apart.

So be happy for me, dear ones, you know I hold you dear. And be glad I'm spending Christmas with Jesus this year.

I sent you a special gift from my heavenly home above. I sent you each a memory of my undying love.

After all, love is a gift more precious than gold, it was most important in the stories Jesus told.

Please love and keep each other, as my father said to do, Remember, I am spending Christmas with Jesus this year.

In memory of a beautiful lady.

Geraldine Alexander
Mom, Grandma, and friends

Note of Thanks

The family of Roy Futischa greatly appreciates your kind expression of sympathy during our great loss. Words cannot express how much we thank you for your thoughts, prayers, love, friendship and support that were giving in our moment of sorrow. Special thanks to Larry Hawkins, Willie Fish, and Neva Bond for the beautiful service, Chickasaw Nation Medical Center's Doctors, Nurses, Housekeepers and their Cafe, Tom Criswell at Criswell Funeral Home, Chickasaw Community Center, Chickasaw Nation Maintenance, Ada Greenhouse, First Indian Baptist Church, the singers at the service, and for the food from friends and family.

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CHICKASAW NATION TRIBAL LEGISLATURE
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October 26, 2012

AGENDA ITEM #1 CALL MEETING TO ORDER
Chairperson David Woerz called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM #2 ROLL CALL
Members present: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Katie Case, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods
Member absent: Linda Briggs
Staff present: Doretta Sellers, Recording Secretary, Harold Stick, Sergeant-At-Arms, Robert Cheadle, Legislative Counsel
Guests present: Mike McKee, Michael Kubilis, Jeff O'Dell, Rita Loder, Michael L. Wingo, Tony Choate, Wilma Pauline Stout Watson, Mike Watson, Heather Summers, Marty Wafford

AGENDA ITEM #3 INVOCATION
Invocation was given after the election of officers.

AGENDA ITEM #4 ELECTION OF OFFICERS
Chairperson Woerz opened the floor for nominations for Chairperson. Mr. Colbert nominated Mr. Steve Woods and Ms. Case nominated Mrs. Beth Alexander. Nominations ceased and secret ballots were cast. Ten votes were cast for Mr. Woods and he was declared the winner.

Newly elected Chairperson Steve Woods opened the floor for nominations for Secretary. Mrs. Alexander nominated Ms. Katie Case and Ms. Elliott nominated Ms. Connie Barker. Nominations ceased and secret ballots were cast. Nine votes were cast for Ms. Barker and she was declared the winner.

Chairperson Woods appointed Ms. Doretta Sellers as Recording Secretary and Mr. Harold Stick as Sergeant-At-Arms.

Invocation was given by Ms. Green.

AGENDA ITEM #4 READING OF MINUTES - September 21, 2012
A motion was made by Ms. Elliott and seconded by Ms. Case to approve the minutes of September 21, 2012.

Members voting yes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Katie Case, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Steve Woods
11 yes votes
Member abstaining: Scott Wood
1 abstention
The motion to approve the minutes of September 21, 2012, carried.

AGENDA ITEM #5: UNFINISHED BUSINESS
There was no unfinished business.

AGENDA ITEM #6: REPORTS OF COMMITTEES
(A) LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT by Committee Chair Pro Tempore David Woerz
Permanent Resolution Number 30-001, Amendments to Titles 13 and 15 of the Chickasaw Nation Code (Corrections)
This resolution corrects section numbers in Titles 13 and 15 of the Chickasaw Nation Code.
A motion was made by Mr. Woerz and seconded by Ms. Hammond to approve PR30-001.

Members voting yes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Katie Case, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods
12 yes votes
The motion to approve PR30-001 carried unani-

mously.

Mr. Woerz concluded his report.

(B) FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT by Committee Chair Toby Perkins
General Resolution Number 30-006, Approval of Development Budget Amendment (Purcell Clinic Expansion)
This resolution approves the amendment to the Development Budget for Purcell Clinic Expansion, Project Number CNHS-1004 in the amount of \$5,100,000.00.

The existing Purcell Clinic was built in 2002 with an IHS Small Ambulatory Facility grant. The existing facility was designed so a similar sized building could be placed on the site behind the clinic. The proposed addition would provide dental and eye care services as well as a conference room. The eye care space in the existing facility, along with the conference room, would be remodeled to include radiology and additional medical examination rooms.

With the addition and the minor remodeling of the existing space, the Purcell Clinic would be able to provide increased medical ambulatory services, improved eye care services, diagnostic imaging to including mammography and dental services. The facility addition and the remodeling would provide an estimated 17,000 medical care visits, over 7,000 dental visits and serve a user population of over 4,200 Indian people. The renovated and expanded facilities would accommodate 11-12 medical exam rooms and 10-11 chairs for dental services.

A motion was made by Mr. Woerz and seconded by Ms. Hammond to approve GR30-006.

Members voting yes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Katie Case, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods
12 yes votes
The motion to approve GR30-006 carried unanimously.

Mr. Perkins concluded his report.

(C) HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE REPORT by Committee Chair Dean McManus
General Resolution Number 30-007, Gubernatorial Reappointment - Chickasaw Nation Election Commission, Mr. Mark Riesen
This resolution approves Governor Bill Anoatubby's reappointment of Mr. Mark Riesen to another term of office on the Chickasaw Nation Election Commission ending on December 31, 2014.

A motion was made by Ms. McManus and seconded by Ms. Green to approve GR30-007.

Members voting yes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Katie Case, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods
12 yes votes
The motion to approve GR30-007 carried unanimously.

General Resolution Number 30-008, Gubernatorial Reappointment - Chickasaw Nation Election Commission, Ms. Catherine Wood
This resolution approves Governor Bill Anoatubby's reappointment of Ms. Catherine Wood to another term of office on the Chickasaw Nation Election Commission ending on December 31, 2013.

A motion was made by Ms. Green and seconded by Mr. Colbert to approve GR30-008.

Members voting yes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Katie Case, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods
12 yes votes
The motion to approve GR30-008 carried unanimously.

General Resolution Number 30-009, Gubernatorial

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2011-2012 Tribal Legislature

Following is a list of the Chickasaw Nation Tribal Legislators including their address and phone numbers. If you have any questions or need any information, please contact the legislator in your area.

<u>Pontotoc District</u>	<u>Pickens District</u>	<u>Tishomingo District</u>
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2. Nancy Elliott 620 Ann Ada, OK 74820 (580) 399-4374 Nancy.Elliott@chickasaw.net	2. Connie Barker 509 SW 7th Ave. Marietta, OK 73448 (580) 272-4175 Connie.Barker@chickasaw.net	2. Tim Colbert P.O. Box 773 Sulphur, OK 73086 (580) 421-7242 Tim.Colbert@chickasaw.net
3. Katie Case 14368 County Road 3597 Ada, OK 74820 (580) 272-8385 Katie.Case@chickasaw.net	3. Linda Briggs P.O. Box 241 Marietta, OK 73448 (580) 272-7268 Linda.Briggs@chickasaw.net	3. Steven Woods 5071 Gray's Road Davis, OK 73030 (580) 272-7270 Steve.Woods@chickasaw.net
4. Dean McManus 5980 CR 3430 Ada, OK 74820 (580) 235-2651 Dean.McManus@chickasaw.net	4. Shana Tate Hammond 801 N. Mississippi Ada, Oklahoma (580) 235-1438 Shana.Hammond@chickasaw.net	Panola District Seat #
5. Mary Jo Green 2000 E. 14th Place Ada, OK 74820 (580) 310-4563 Mary.Green@chickasaw.net		1. Beth Alexander Box 246 Achille, OK 74720 (580) 272-7850 beth.alexander@chickasaw.net bethalexander22@hotmail.com

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Reappointment - Chickasaw Nation Election Commission, (Mr. Claude Miller)

This resolution approves Governor Bill Anoatubby's reappointment of Mr. Claude Miller to fill the at-large seat on the Chickasaw Nation Election Commission ending on December 31, 2014.

A motion was made by Ms. Elliott and seconded by Ms. Case to approve GR30-009.

Members voting yes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Katie Case, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods

12 yes votes

The motion to approve GR30-009 carried unanimously.

Ms. McManus concluded her report.

(D) LAND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT by Committee Chair Linda Briggs

Ms. Green gave the report in the absence of Ms. Briggs.

General Resolution Number 30-001, Authorization for Acquisition of Real Property in Pontotoc County

This Resolution approves the Chickasaw Nation's request to acquire a radio tower and real property in Fitzhugh, Oklahoma. The radio tower will be utilized by the Chickasaw Nation radio station KCNP. The real property is located in, Fitzhugh, Pontotoc County, Oklahoma.

A motion was made by Mr. Colbert and seconded by Mr. Woerz to approve GR30-001.

Members voting yes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Katie Case, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green,

Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods

12 yes votes

The motion to approve GR30-001 carried unanimously.

General Resolution Number 30-002, Authorization for Acceptance of Real Property in Jefferson County

This resolution approves the Chickasaw Nation's acceptance of a gift of real property from HCG Realty Holdings LLC, located in Jefferson County, Oklahoma, and hereby incorporated by reference together with all improvements thereon, if any, in their present condition, ordinary wear and tear excepted. The Governor is authorized to request the Bureau of Indian Affairs to place the property U.S.A. in Trust for the Chickasaw Nation after acquisition, if such action is advantageous.

A motion was made by Mr. Colbert and seconded by Mr. Woerz to approve GR30-002.

Mrs. Alexander stated she would abstain from the vote because the Legislature was bypassed when the property was purchased by the realty company, an LLC under the Division of Commerce. She felt this action was circumventing the Constitution and setting a precedent.

Members voting yes: Connie Barker, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods

10 yes votes

Members abstaining: Beth Alexander, Katie Case

2 abstentions

The motion to approve GR30-002 carried.

General Resolution Number 30-003, Authorization for Acceptance of Real Property in Marshall County

This resolution approves the Chickasaw Nation's acceptance of a gift of real property from HCG Realty Holdings LLC, Located in Marshall County, Oklahoma, and hereby incorporated by reference together with all

improvements thereon, if any, in their present condition, ordinary wear and tear excepted. The Governor is authorized to request the Bureau of Indian Affairs to place the property U.S.A. in Trust for the Chickasaw Nation after acquisition, if such action is advantageous.

A motion was made by Mr. Colbert and seconded by Ms. Elliott to approve GR30-003.

Members voting yes: Connie Barker, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods

10 yes votes

Members abstaining: Beth Alexander, Katie Case

2 abstentions

The motion to approve GR30-003 carried.

General Resolution Number 30-004, Authorization to Gift Real Property in Marshall County

This resolution approves the Chickasaw Nation's request to gift real property to the Housing Authority of the Chickasaw Nation of Oklahoma. The lots are located in a residential area away from any main roadway. This property will be best utilized for building lots for the Native American Housing and Self Determination Act Program for tribal citizens located in Marshall County. Said property is located in Kingston, Marshall County, Oklahoma, described as: Lots Seven (7), Eight (8), Nine (9), Ten (10), Eleven (11), and Twelve (12), in Block Fourteen (14), College Addition to the Town of Kingston, Marshall County, Oklahoma, according to the official Plat and Survey thereof, together with all improvements thereon, if any, in their present condition, ordinary wear and tear excepted.

A motion was made by Mr. Colbert and seconded by Ms. McManus to approve GR30-004.

Members voting yes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Katie Case, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods

12 yes votes

The motion to approve GR30-004 carried unanimously.

General Resolution Number 30-005, Release of Exemption from Trust on Property in Murray County, (Referenced in GR19-013)

The Chickasaw Nation acquired real property, in Murray County, Oklahoma, and said property was acquired and exempted from trust by General Resolution 19-013. The Land Committee requests the release of the exemption from trust on that part of the

property located south of State Highway 7 to be placed into trust for self-determination.

A motion was made by Mr. Woerz and seconded by Mr. Colbert to approve GR30-005.

Members voting yes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Katie Case, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods

12 yes votes

The motion to approve GR30-005 carried unanimously.

Ms. Green concluded her report.

AGENDA ITEM #7 NEW BUSINESS (Comments from Citizens)

Mr. Mike Watson made comments on the food at the Ardmore Senior Site, clothing grants, and on his family cemetery being put into Trust.

AGENDA ITEM #8

ADJOURNMENT

The Legislative Session adjourned at 9:37 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Barker, Secretary

Chickasaw Nation Tribal Legislature

Prepared by:

Doretta Sellers, Recording Secretary

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NOVEMBER 2012 RESOLUTIONS

**General Resolution Number 30-010
Oil and Gas Lease in Garvin County
Unallotted Tract 141A**

Explanation: This resolution approves the Oil and Gas Lease requested by Continental Resources, Inc., 20 North Broadway, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102, which has submitted an acceptable bid of \$251.86 per acre for a total bonus of \$2,518.60, of which the Chickasaw Nation shall receive \$629.65, on property belonging to the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nation described as the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SE ¼ SW ¼ SW ¼) of Section 4, Township 4 North, Range 3 West, Garvin County, Oklahoma, containing 10 acres, more or less, for a primary term of three (3) years with a \$3.00 per acre annual rent for a total of \$30.00, of which the Chickasaw Nation will receive \$7.50 per annum, and a royalty rate of 18.75%.

Property Location: Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SE ¼ SW ¼ SW ¼) of Section 4, Township 4 North, Range 3 West, Garvin County, Oklahoma

Presented By: Land Development Committee

Yes votes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Katie Case, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods

General Resolution Number 30-011**Utility Service Easement in Murray County**

Explanation: This resolution authorizes and approves a utility easement granted to OG&E Electric Services to service the new maintenance building at the Chickasaw Cultural Center in Murray County.

Property Location: New maintenance building at Chickasaw Cultural Center

Use: Utility Service Easement to OG&E Electric Service

Presented By: Land Development Committee

Yes votes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Katie Case, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods

General Resolution Number 30-012**Authorization for Acquisition of Real Property in Pontotoc County**

Explanation: This Resolution approves the Chickasaw Nation's request to acquire real property in Ada, Pontotoc County Oklahoma, described as:

The South 131.5 feet of the East 75 feet of Lot 46 of Sunnyside Acres Subdivision of Blocks 13, 14, 15, and 16 of Arlington Addition to the City of Ada, Pontotoc County, Oklahoma, according to the plat thereof.

To use with the Chickasaw Nation Community Center in Ada, Oklahoma, increasing the ability to add recreational functions.

Property Location: North Mississippi Avenue, Ada, Oklahoma

Use: Community Center additional space

Purpose: Self-determination

Presented by: Land Development Committee

Yes votes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Katie Case, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods

General Resolution Number 30-013**Approval of Development Budget Amendment
Headquarters Gym**

Explanation: This resolution approves an amendment to the Development Budget for Headquarters Gym Remodel, Project Number 20-0085-09 in the amount of \$3,397,324.00.

The headquarters gym and community center was

built in 1982. It has served the Chickasaw Nation for many years as a gymnasium and a community center. There is a growing need from Chickasaw citizens for additional basketball court space for tournaments, recreational games and physical fitness. The current facility cannot meet that need in its current condition. A complete renovation of the interior and exterior of the building is needed to make the facility a usable space for citizens.

The renovation will include a new hardwood floor, scoreboards and suspended goals. Spectator seating will be raised above the court and include stationary bleachers. The restrooms, locker rooms and concession area will be updated. The mechanical systems will be replaced and fire alarm and sprinkler system will be installed. The exterior of the building will be updated to complement the existing campus.

Presented by: Finance Committee

Yes votes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Katie Case, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods

Permanent Resolution Number 30-002**Amendments to Title 2, Chapter 4, Article A of the
Chickasaw Nation Code****(General Provisions)**

Explanation: This resolution amends Title 2, Chapter 4, Article A, Section 2-401.8 of the Chickasaw Nation Code to provide broader legal protections and defenses for elected officials and employees of the judicial, executive and legislative branches of the Chickasaw Nation who are acting within the scope of their official duties and/or employment.

Presented by: Court Development Ad Hoc Committee

Yes votes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Katie Case, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods

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**Permanent Resolution Number 30-003
Amendments to Title 16 of the Chickasaw Nation
Code****(Corrections)**

Explanation: This resolution corrects section numbers in Title 16 of the Chickasaw Nation Code.

Presented By: Legislative Committee

Yes votes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Katie Case, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee of the Whole

November 13, 2012

Present: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Katie Case, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods

Court Development Ad Hoc Committee

November 5, 2012

Present: Tim Colbert, Linda Briggs, Scott Wood, David Woerz, Steve Woods

Finance Committee

November 5, 2012

Present: Toby Perkins, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, David Woerz, Steve Woods

November 13, 2012

Present: Toby Perkins, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, David Woerz, Steve Woods

Health Care Committee

November 5, 2012

Present: Shana Hammond, Connie Barker, Katie Case, Nancy Elliott, Scott Wood, Steve Woods

Absent: Mary Jo Green

Land Development Committee

November 5, 2012

Present: Linda Briggs, Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Tim Colbert, David Woerz, Steve Woods

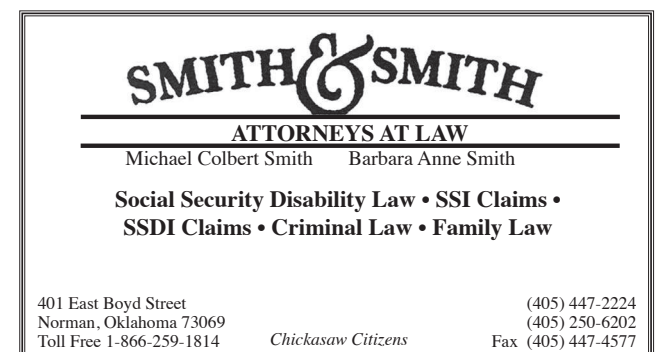
Absent: Mary Jo Green

Legislative Committee

November 5, 2012

Present: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Katie Case, Scott Wood, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, David Woerz, Steve Woods

Absent: Mary Jo Green



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